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RECEIPTS TORN OUT OF BOOKS AT THE TREASURY

MR. MESSER'S ANNOUNCEMENT IN COURT TO-DAY

"FURTHER INQUIRIES" CASE

That only yesterday he had come across, presumably in his capacity as Colonial Treasurer, two receipt books from each of which three receipts had been torn out, was the announcement made by the Hon. Mr. C. Mel. Messer, O.B.E., in the witness box to-day, in the "Attorney General of Hong Kong v. the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation" case at the Supreme Court, before his Honour the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C.) and a special jury, sitting in Original Jurisdiction.

Mr. Messer began to give evidence yesterday after the conclusion of the cross-examination of Mr. T. Black (Treasury Accountant) by Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master), for the defence, and re-examination by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, who is appearing with Mr. Eldon Foster, K.C. (instructed by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., Treasury Solicitor), for the Treasury.

Precautions Not Relaxed

The routine of filing up cheques in the Treasury was described by Mr. Messer. He signed first and Mr. Black afterwards. Toward the end of the year, Mr. Messer signed before the papers had been dealt with by the examination branch of the Treasury (as is done in normal times) but Mr. Black did not sign until this necessity had been complied with. He, Mr. Messer, had on several occasions seen his instructions carried out in this respect. Precautions were not relaxed by this change in procedure, Mr. Messer added.

On January 18, 1928, the three cheques totalling \$260,407.98 were brought to him, said Mr. Messer. On that day he told Mr. Black to go to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank. The instructions were to get the cheques but not enter into any discussion at all.

He also asked Mr. Dallin, the Assistant Auditor, to go as well. When "Anything Wrong" Asked why he did so, Mr. Messer replied that it is the usual custom when "anything goes wrong" to inform the Government Auditor at once.

Mr. Messer also referred to the "shortage" of 30 cheques each from two books. About ten days before the end of 1927, Mr. Tsang On-wing (the cheque book clerk) had spoken to him, said Mr. Messer. Tsang mentioned 60 cheques being short and that the Bank, in response to a request for 200 cheques (intended to last until the end of the year) had sent 400.

"I took Tsang to mean," Mr. Messer continued, "that by being short he only needed 60 more cheques for the year and I said to him 'It doesn't matter (if the Bank has sent 400 instead of 200) because the Bank provides the paper and we don't.'"

"Too Near for Mine" He had no notion then or any idea, Mr. Messer added, that 60 cheques had been extracted from the previous two books of 300 cheques each.

Replying to His Lordship, Mr. Messer said that he immediately formed the opinion (when Mr. Proctor of the Bank brought the cheques to him) that the handwriting was not Tsang On-wing's. He was not certain what conversation he had with Mr. Proctor but he recollected saying: "The signature is a bit of a sight too neat for mine" and also remarking: "I must have had a very steady hand."

Mr. Messer also said that he had no doubt in his own mind then that the signatures on the three disputed cheques were not his. "I think I said so in Mr. Proctor's presence that the names of the payees (on the three cheques) were unfamiliar to me," Mr. Messer stated, in answer to Mr. Sheldon.

To him, Mr. Messer continued, the handwriting was obviously not that of Tsang On-wing. And Tsang On-wing almost treated as a joke the idea that it was his writing.

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DISARMAMENT LORD CUSHENDUN ON BRITAIN'S EFFORTS CHINA AND CONSCRIPTION

London, Yesterday.

In the discussion on land armaments, at the meeting of the Preparatory Committee on Disarmament, at Geneva, Lord Cushendun, the British delegate, said that it was quite true, as the French delegate had said, that the question of distinction between limitation and reduction had already been discussed and settled. Nevertheless, it was very important to bear in mind the distinction between the two because if reduction were to be substituted for limitation in this convention they might very well be going beyond the obligations of Article Eight of the Covenant laid down that there should be reduction down to a level consistent with national safety. One could not tell at present what nations, if any, had already reduced to that level. Consequently, if they were to insist upon reduction as well as limitation, in the present convention, they might very well be going beyond the obligations of Article Eight.

What Britain Had Done

In this connection he mentioned that Great Britain had carried out consistently for many years a continuous reduction of land armaments. At the end of the War Britain had a very large military force, produced by compulsory service, which was an exceptional system for her. Britain immediately returned to voluntary service, but even on that small level, which compared with conscriptionist nations, had of course a very small army. Britain had been continually reducing. In proof of that proposition he said that compared with August, 1914, namely with her pre-war Army, Britain had reduced nine cavalry regiments, 21 infantry battalions and 61 artillery batteries and, in the last five years, she had progressively reduced her military budget.

In 1925, irrespective of pensions, the British military budget was 36½ millions sterling; in 1926 34½ millions; in 1927 33.1½ million; in 1928 32¼ million and in the present year 32.1½ millions.

So that during the last five years, Britain had been continually and progressively reducing her military budget at same time that she had carried out a progressive diminution of her land forces. Therefore, it was quite possible, though he did not assert it was so, that when the matter came to be decided by the Disarmament Conference it might happen that Britain had already reduced to the level required by Article Eight of the Covenant.—British Wireless Service.

China's Delegation Interviewed

Later. The Chinese delegates, interviewed by Reuters expressed the opinion that China would introduce conscription if conscription were not abolished by other nations.—Reuters.

Mr. Britten's Views

Washington, Yesterday. For the second time within ten days Mr. Gibson has played into the hands of French and British diplomacy, complains Mr. Britten, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee in the House of Representatives, in a statement attacking the suggestion regarding trained reserves. In his opinion neither of Mr. Gibson's proposals has the slightest chance of acceptance by the League Commission for many years, if ever.—Reuters's American Service.

MOTOR FATALITY FAMOUS GERMAN RACER KILLED

TRAGEDY AT STENDAL

Berlin, Yesterday. The famous German racing motorist, Baron Wentzelhausen, with a companion was killed while racing at Stendal. He tried to avoid a cyclist and overturned, with the machine ablaze. A spectator was also killed and several injured.—Reuters.

A new landing-ground for aeroplanes in the vicinity of Wiesbaden will be available for air traffic at Whitsuntide.

A grenade exploded prematurely during grenade-throwing practice at Helsingfors, injuring an officer and ten soldiers.

"MAY DAY" RIOTING IN GERMANY COMMUNISTS ACTIVE

AGITATORS CITING MASSES TO HOSTILITY LIVELY SCENES

Berlin, Yesterday.

The authorities here are concerned with the approach of May Day owing to the communist agitators doing their utmost to incite the masses to demonstrate in the streets.

Posters banning all processions have been defaced by communists who are canvassing from house to house urging defiance to the police. Political passions are already high and have caused frequent clashes throughout the country. Communist killed one and seriously injured two republicans.

In Frankfurt on Main there has been serious fighting between Fascist and Communists, while in Freiburg the nationalists repeatedly interrupted a Polish opera company at Oppeln. They threw stink bombs and howled down the actors whom they later molested in the streets.

There have been similar anti-Polish demonstrations in Breslau and Berlin.—Reuters.

TO ATTACK KWANGSI?

Troops Assemble Under Gaze of Anti-Communism

Shanghai, To-day.

It is learned that Nationalist troops under Chiang Tsi-wei and Li Ming-chi are concentrating just below Hankow, ostensibly to march on Fukien province to take part in the campaign against Communists, but (it is reliably reported) they will eventually land in Linchow or Yanchow (in the south-west of Kwangtung province) for a surprise attack against Nanning, a city in the south of Kwangsi province.—Reuters.

TRAGIC DEATH

LORD YOUNGER'S "SUDDEN CALL"

COLLAPSES IN THEATRE

London, Yesterday. Lord Younger collapsed in a west-end theatre. He was taken to hospital, where he died.—Reuters.

(Lord Younger of Leckie (the first Viscount Younger) who, as a politician was for many years better known as Sir George Younger, Bart., was born in 1851. He was Lord Lieutenant of Shropshire and Vice-Lieutenant of Cheshire. From 1906 to 1922 he was Unionist Member of Parliament for Ayr Burghs, defeating by a very narrow majority Sir Joseph Dobbie, B.S.C. He was the eldest son of the late James Younger, brewer, Ayr, Scotland, with which business he (Lord Younger) was also actively associated. Lord Younger was for many years one of the most prominent members of the Conservative Party. He was also a director of the National Bank of Scotland, the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., Lloyds Bank, and the Southern Railway. His heir is his son, Lt.-Col. the Hon James Younger.)

AFGHANISTAN

KHAN SAUDIN'S LITTLE RUSE

WHAT HAPPENED AT DINNER

Peshawar, Yesterday. Reports from Gardez state that Khan Saudin, chief of the Ahmadzai Ghilzais, who proclaimed himself King after Amanullah's abdication and then sought the friendship of Nadir Khan, invited Nadir Khan and his brothers to dinner on Friday. He arrested them all but Nadir Khan, who escaped.—Reuters.

Messages report the departure of Mr. Henry Ford from the United States for Europe, and that he proposes to summon a conference in Berlin of the heads of European Ford companies to consider plans to counter the effects of the General Motors Corporation.

PRIVY COUNCIL TO MEET AT BOGNOR KING TO PRESIDE

TO DISCUSS DISSOLUTION AND GENERAL ELECTION STATE COUNCIL CONTINUES

London, Yesterday.

The King will preside at a Privy Council meeting at Craigweil House on May 10, for the first time since his illness.

His Majesty desires personally to deal with matters regarding the dissolution of Parliament and the General Election and his decision does not necessarily mean the end of the Council of State.—Reuters.

BOMBAY STRIKE

NOW ALMOST GENERAL IN THE CITY

150,000 WORKERS INVOLVED

Bombay, Yesterday.

The mill strikes here, due to alleged victimisation, is almost general. Nearly 150,000 hands are involved, and the situation is complicated by fears of communal trouble. For example a Hindu and Moslem brawl on Saturday revived rumours of inter-communal rioting, but beyond a few stray assaults the city remains quiet.—Reuters.

CONSPIRATORS

SEQUEL TO INDIAN GENERAL STRIKE

FOURTEEN "GUILTY"

Calcutta, Yesterday.

Fourteen persons charged with conspiracy in the general strike on the South Indian Railway last July, have been found "guilty" and sentenced to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment. Those sentenced include Mukin Dalal Sarjar and Singarave Lucchettiar.—Reuters.

NEW GOVERNOR

COL. G. F. STANLEY GOING TO MADRAS

SUCCEEDS LORD GOSCHEN

London, Yesterday.

Col. George Frederick Stanley, M.P., brother of Lord Derby, succeeds Viscount Goschen as Governor of Madras on the expiry of his term of office in the Autumn.—Reuters.

A FRIEND'S COAT?

CHINESE EX-ARMY OFFICER AGAIN REMANDED

ANOTHER NAME GIVEN

Wong Yuen-tak, an ex-officer in the Chinese Army at Hankow, who is charged with the theft of a jacket, was again before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, this morning.

His Worship gave a remand yesterday for the Police to try to find a friend of the accused named Chiu Chi-man, who, he said, was the Chairman of the Yunnanese Association in Hong Kong and had promised him assistance. Accused took the jacket under the impression, he alleged, that it belonged to Chiu.

This morning Sub-Inspector Carpenter told the Magistrate that the only Yunnanese Association in Hong Kong was the Yunnan Merchants' Association at the Foo Tin native bank in Connaught-road, but the man Chiu Chi-man was not known there.

The Officer added that since the Police inquiries, the accused had given another name—that of Shiu Sau-man. This name was known at the Yunnan Merchants' Association, and therefore the Inspector asked for another remand of 24 hours in order to get hold of this man.

In granting the remand, his Worship remarked to accused: "Why did you not give the right name the first time?"

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 7/16.

RAILWAY COLLISION IN NEW YORK EXCITING AFFAIR

THERE PERSONS KILLED - 40 INJURED HYSTERICAL PASSENGERS

New York, Yesterday.

Three persons were killed and 40 injured in an elevated train crashing into a rear tube train on the same track, in the Bronx district during the "rush hour" in the morning.

A wooden coach of the elevated train caught fire and a fireman was obliged to raise ladders to the elevated structure.

He extinguished the flames in half an hour, after which the passengers, most of whom were hysterical, were removed.

Over 3,000 persons, mostly office workers, were aboard the trains at the time of the collision.

Several passengers collapsed on the track and had to be carried by the Police, and firemen.

The accident was apparently due to an error of the driver of the tube train, who was killed. When his body was extricated, he still had his hand on the emergency brake.—Reuters's American Service.

WATER SUPPLY

More Restrictions in Force To-morrow

It is learned officially that the further restrictions on the supply of water will be enforced as from to-morrow, when the supply will be cut off both in Hong Kong and Kowloon from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. until further notice.

The rainfall for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.69 inch, making a total since January 1 of 3.56 inches, against an average of 11.61 inches for the same period.

REPARATIONS

GERMANS STILL HAGGLING OVER THEIR "INCAPACITY"

A CLOSING REPORT

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Reichsbank President, Dr. Schacht, made it plain during a two hours' conference with the Chancellor, the Foreign, Finance and Economics Ministers, that in the present circumstances a resumption of the Paris negotiations for the purpose of reaching a definite reparations agreement is somewhat improbable and premature.

He will speak at the opening of the Diplomatic negotiations on reparations.

It is understood that the closing report of the conference contains the unanimous German expert views on Germany's capacity to pay and her possible reparations payments.—Reuters.

IRAQ DEFENCE

SIGNIFICANCE OF BAGDAD'S NEW CABINET

THE DEFENCE MINISTER

Bagdad, Yesterday.

A new Cabinet has been formed under the Presidency of Twfic Beg Swaidi, ex-Minister of Education.

A very significant appointment is that of Amin Zaki Seg, who was a Turkish officer in war time, as Defence Minister. He replaces General Nuri, a strong conscriptionist, while Zaki, his opponent, considers the solution of the problem of the defence of Iraq lies in military support from Great Britain over a long period.—Reuters.

The British Minister in Athens and the Greek Minister of Marine have signed an agreement for the despatch of a British Naval Mission to Greece for two years.

It is announced from Brussels that attempts will be made in July to establish a night aeroplane mail service between that city and London.

"SQUEEZE RING" HAWKERS WHO ACTED AS COLLECTORS CONSTABLE CHARGED

The Chinese hawkers who admitted last week that they had acted as collectors of money for a "Squeeze Ring" formed by Chinese constables attached to the Hawkers' Department of the Hong Kong Police, came up before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., for sentence this morning.

Mr. F. H. Loseby, who appeared for one of the accused, suggested that the accused should be bound over to come up for sentence if called upon, but added that the Police took the view that a fine would be better.

His Worship said that he would rather give another remand on small bail in view of another case, connected with this one, which was being heard by the First Magistrate. He (Major Willson) would like to see what transpired in that case before passing sentence.

The Police View

Replying that he was speaking for the Police, Mr. Loseby said that the latter were of the view that if the present case were dealt with right away, the accused would give evidence freely in the other case without a sentence hanging over their heads and he thought that the weight of the penalty would depend upon what evidence they were able to give.

Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds concurred with Mr. Loseby's remarks. He said that two of the four accused had promised to give evidence in the other case, and if they were dealt with now he felt sure that they would keep their word.

Replying to his Worship, the C.D.I. said that the prosecution alleged that this "squeeze" had been going on for about three months.

Could Not Help Themselves

Mr. Loseby asked his Worship in considering the penalty to bear in mind that the accused could not help themselves in the matter of acting as collectors for the constables. If they did not help the constables they were liable to be brought up by the constables on a false charge.

Case Against Constable

The case against Wong Kam-sing, a constable in the Hawkers' Department, was then proceeded with before Mr. E. W. Hamilton in the First Court.

The charges against the accused were (1) conspiracy to make illegal extortion from hawkers; and (2) misconduct as a constable by accepting bribes.

C.D.I. Reynolds, who also prosecuted in this case, asked for leave to withdraw the first charge and proceed with the other.

This was granted. Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton, who appeared for the accused, entered a plea of "not guilty" on the remaining charge.

Case for Prosecution

Opening the case for the prosecution, the C.D.I. said that, following the receipt of information, the Police, with certain names and places in their possession, set a trap for the collectors of "squeeze" for the constables.

This "squeeze" was collected weekly, \$1 a week in the case of unlicensed hawkers and 80 cents a week in the case of licensed hawkers. When the licensed or unlicensed hawkers handed over the money, they gave their numbers or names, as the case might be, to the collectors, who in turn would give the hawkers a password which was changed each week. This password when repeated by the hawkers to the constables would make them immune from arrest.

The majority of the Hawkers' Department staff were concerned in the squeeze. The four men arrested as collectors were trapped by marked money which was given to Police informers to hand over to the collectors. Two detectives followed the informer and arrested the collectors as soon as the money changed hands. When arrested, these collectors had in their possession pieces of paper.

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SAILOR FALLS FROM VERANDAH INSTANT DEATH

BODY FOUND IN STREET AT NAVAL CANTEN

TRAGIC ACCIDENT

The body of Able Seaman Millard of H.M.S. "Marazion" was removed to the mortuary at the Naval Hospital at 4.25 this morning. It was found lying in the street outside the Naval Canteen, Praya East. Apparently the unfortunate man had met his death by falling from the verandah of one of the upper floors of the Canteen.

At the time it was found the body was dressed in a singlet, a pair of shorts, socks and boot on one foot. Millard, who was 35 years of age, is understood to be unmarried, but had parents and other relatives in England with whom much sympathy will be felt on account of his tragic death.

There are no suspicious circumstances attached to the death, which is believed to be accidental. How long the body had been lying on the road before it was found by a Naval picket is not known.

Millard had hired a room in the Canteen at closing time last night, and on account of the heat had apparently repaired to the verandah to undress when the accident occurred, although how he could have fallen over is not apparent.

The funeral takes place this evening. It is understood that an inquiry into the unfortunate man's death will be held in due course.

To meet the increased financial demands for educational purposes the city authorities of Rees, Lower Rhine, have decided to raise the local beer tax.

The Bishop of Southwark has consecrated the church of St. Philip and All Saints, North Sheen, S.W., built from a 16th-century barn at Oxted, Surrey.

of papers bearing the names and numbers of other hawkers who had paid "squeeze" money.

The accused was alleged to have on two occasions taken lump sums of money collected by the collectors during the week. He received this money at his house.

Missing from Duty On the day of the arrest of the collectors, the accused was missing from duty from 9 a.m., and did not return until 4 o'clock. During the morning his wife had brought his revolver to the station, and in consequence of certain advice given to her by Inspector Field, the accused turned up in the afternoon.

The Magistrate asked if it was suggested that the accused was the only one concerned.

The C.D.I. replied that six other constables had absconded. Two of the collectors who were fined by Major Willson then gave evidence, alleging that they had handed the takings to the accused once. One man said that Ah Loong, another constable who had absconded, appeared to be the ringleader and it was he who introduced witness to accused.

"Roast Goose and Macaroni"

This witness also caused much laughter when he said that he also knew the accused by the nickname of "Sien Ngo Fun" ("Roast Goose and Macaroni").

Inspector Field corroborated the C.D.I.'s opening statement about the accused being absent from duty between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., on the day of the collectors' arrest. Six others disappeared altogether and had not been seen again, whilst another two went on duty as usual at 9.30 a.m. There were only nine constables attached to the Hawkers' Department staff, and the accused was No. 1.

At one stage during the hearing of the case the Court was so filled by hawkers that his Worship remarked to the Court Sergeant: "Don't admit more people. The Court is quite full enough."

A little later his Worship directed that the wife of one of the two hawkers witnesses should be admitted and be given a seat in Court. The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

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Hong Kong, 27th April, 1929.

NOTICES.

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NOTICE.

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PARTMENT is prepared to
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chase of a quantity of old material
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Iron and Oil Engine.

Tender Forms on application to
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and Stores, P.W.D.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works.
Hong Kong, April 29, 1929.

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NOTICE.

HONG KONG & KOWLOON
WATER SUPPLY.

THE QUANTITY OF WATER
in the Storage Reservoirs has
fallen so low that further restric-
tive measures are under considera-
tion, and should an adequate rain-
fall not occur before the end of
April the Water Supply in HONG
KONG and KOWLOON will be
CUT OFF daily between the hours
of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from the 1st
May.

The most rigid economy in the
consumption of water is now es-
sential, and the co-operation of the
public in preventing waste is
again earnestly requested.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 19th April, 1929.



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SUDDEN CHANGE

TAKING OVER CONTROL OF
SHANTUNG

FENG DISAPPOINTED?

Shanghai, Yesterday.
According to reports from Tai-
nan a sudden change has been
ordered in the programme for the
taking over of Tsinan and the re-
gion along the Shantung Railway
by the Government forces on the
withdrawal of the Japanese forces.

Tsinan, which was formerly
designated for garrisoning by Chen
Hsin-ming, will be taken over in-
stead by the 45th division under
Fong Chen-wu, whose forces will
also garrison the territory east of
Weihsien in conjunction with Liu
Chen-nien.—Reuter.

Kuomintang Withdraw
Peking, Yesterday.

A message from Tsinan says it
is reliably reported that Sun Liang-
chen is now at Kaifeng. All the

DON'T WASTE WATER!

Kuomintang troops in Shantung are
rapidly withdrawing to Hunan via
the Lungai Railway.

Official circles here hint that if
Sun Liang-chien's resignation is
accepted, he will be succeeded by
Fong Chen-wu.—Reuter.

Chiang Kai-shek's View
Hankow, Yesterday.

It is understood that, interview-
ing Hsueh Tu-pih, who is Feng Yu-
hsiang's pro tem representative,
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek stated
that the detaching of troops to take
over control from the Japanese in
Shantung had not precluded Feng
Yu-hsiang from sending a repre-
sentative force to Tientsin; there-
fore, though Feng Yu-hsiang's force
had been given control from Tsinan
to Weihsien, and Chiang Kai-shek's
own forces eastward from Weihsien
to Tientsin, it was intimated that,
if necessary, part of Feng Yu-
hsiang's troops should have been
asked to proceed to Tientsin also.—
Reuter.

The "Chefoo" War
Chefoo, Yesterday.

Chu Yu-pu's wing of the North-
erners is still holding out at
Fushanhsien, but is expected to
capitulate to Liu Chen-nien's Na-
tionalists shortly.

Some fighting is reported at
Kwanghsien, where Chang Tsung-
chang's Northerners have raised
the Nationalist flag, but are
still opposed to Liu Chen-nien. No
missionaries have been molested.

Liu Chen-nien received a fresh
supply of munitions from Tientsin
on April 24. He is retaining all
the revenues collected here for the
 upkeep of his forces. The goods
tax was re-imposed on April 24.

Chang Tsung-chang has left
Lungkow, accompanied by several
thousands of soldiers, and is re-
ported to be now occupying the
islands off Penglai.—Reuter.

DENTISTS TO-DAY

THE VISIT NO LONGER FULL
OF TERRORS

"TREAT" FOR THE YOUNG

A visit to the dentist is almost
a treat to the modern child, writes a
mother to the "Manchester
Guardian."

I am taking my youngest for his
quarterly inspection, to make sure
that all his teeth are behaving pro-
perly. It is one of his favourite
"outs." He sits in the charming
waiting-room, enjoying the feast of
illustrated papers, preparatory to
exploring the dentist's magic room.
How different from our youthful
feelings of despairing resignation!

It was a horrid ordeal in those
days, coming as it did as a climax
to days of toothache. Swollen face
and jumping nerves had worn us
down. All the time-honoured re-
medies had been used—rinsings of
infused camomile or poppy-heads
inside, flannel bandages outside.
Doses of quinine had been given in
vain.

First teeth were never filled, so
a visit to the dentist was always
the prelude to an extraction. The
weary time of waiting was passed
in a dingy room; the furniture was
horsehair, so scratchy to bare legs;
there was nothing to make us for-
get our gloomy forebodings except
piles of dusty old "Punches." We
could not even look out of the
window with any pleasure, for wire
blinds turned all the world to a
blackish-brown.

The dentist himself matched his
surroundings, his hands as well as
his shabby frock-coat perfumed
with cigar smoke. No sterilizing of
instruments took place. There was
no enchanting array of glittering
tools. Just a ponderous joke or
two before he produced the gag.

With Or Without

There was always a strong in-
ward struggle as we took our seat.
"With gas" cost more than "with-
out." The brave child got a shilling
for her very own if she could en-
dure the wrench, but the flesh was
often weak.

"With gas" was not a pleasant
operation. All too often the ap-
paratus was faulty. Deep breaths
were taken obediently and we went
heavily to sleep. But always there
came the same ghastly nightmare,
when, fastened by the aching tooth
to an express train, we whirled
along at a furious pace until the
shriek of the engine merged into
one's own scream and, awakening
to a glass of water, one went home
sobbing, but thankful, to a bowl of
bread and milk.

My youngest reluctantly leaves
the delights of the dentist's room.
He loves the little crystal basin
where the water swirls, wants to
know the "why" and the "how" of
the electric drill, and is fascinated
by the rows of little picks and files
on their glass shelves. He has no
fear of what has never hurt him.
There is nothing here but food for
his eager intelligence. Incredibly
fortunate, he was born to a
toothache-less age.

HUNAN "BANDITS"

SPELL DANGER TO FOREIGN
MISSIONARIES

TROOPS TO THE RESCUE

Hankow, Yesterday.
The Passionist Procurator here
has received word that the bodies
of the three murdered American
priests have been recovered, though
details as to their killing are not yet
available.

Conditions seem very bad in
this section of Hunan for, according
to advices received by the local
Foreign Affairs Bureau, the lives of
three American and two British
missionaries were threatened by
bandits near Taoyuan, and the au-
thorities here have telegraphed to
Taoyuan ordering troops to be
despatched to the rescue.

The term "bandits" in both these
cases must be given a broad im-
plication. They may be Com-
munists or straggling troops, with
which the province is over-run.—
Reuter.

EXTRALITY NOTES

CHINA'S REQUEST TO SIX
COUNTRIES

CONSULAR JURISDICTION

Nanking, Yesterday.

It is reported authoritatively
that identical Notes on the abolition
of Consular Jurisdiction in China
have been despatched by the For-
eign Ministry to the British,
French, Dutch, American, Brazilian
and Norwegian Ministers.

The text of the communication is
to be released for publication at the
end of this week.—Reuter.

Extrality Issue

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Prior to leaving for Nanking this
evening, Dr. C. T. Wang stated that
the Foreign Ministry on April 27
despatched Notes to Britain, the
United States, the Netherlands,
France, Norway and Brazil request-
ing them to authorise their
diplomatic representatives in China
to take up with him the question of
abolition of extrality.

Dr. Wang added that the text of
the Notes would be published on
May 2.—Reuter.

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MOREA	10,953	25th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*LAHORE	5,252	1st June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Rotter- dam & Hamburg.
DELTA	8,097	8th June	Marseilles, London & Hull.
*JEYPORE	5,318	15th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Rotter- dam & Hamburg.
RAJPUTANA	15,598	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PERIM	7,048	29th June	Marseilles & London.
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TALMA	10,000	9th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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TANDA	6,556	31st May	Cebu, Kailashgung, Tawau, Timor, Darwin, or other ports en route as in- dicement offers.
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*PERIM	7,048	6th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,556	7th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
DELTA	8,097	10th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	13th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yama & Osaka.
		14th May	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*ROSSINGTON		21st May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yama.
COURT	9,248	22nd May	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*CURNA	10,563	24th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	15,598	4th June	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yama & Osaka.
SANTHIA	7,754	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	7th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*TILSINGTON		10th June	
COURT			
*MIRZAPUR	6,715	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*ALIPURE	6,273	13th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
TAKIWA	7,936	19th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RANPURA	10,001	21st June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby in-
formed that all Goods are being land-
ed at their risk into the Godowns of
The Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or
from the wharves delivery may be ob-
tained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after
the 1st May, 1929, will be subject to
rent.

All claims against the steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 15th May, 1929, or they
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
30th inst. at 10 a.m., by Messrs.
Goddard and Douglas.

No fire Insurance has been effect-
ed.

Bills of Lading will be countersign-
ed by,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th April, 1929.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

LYOYD TRIESTINO NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

The Chartered Steamship,
"ROSANDRA"

arrived from Trieste and ports on
the 27th April, 1929, and in conse-
quence of fire on board whilst en
route to the Far East, consignees of
cargo are hereby notified that a Gen-
eral Average has been declared. It
is, therefore, necessary for the Aver-
age Bond to be signed, and a de-
posit of 25 per cent. paid on the
market value of the goods on arrival.

All goods are being landed at con-
signees' risk into the non-hazardous
godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon
Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. at Kow-
loon, whence delivery may be obtain-
ed.

All damaged cargo will be ex-
amined by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas on 1st May, 1929, at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the godowns, and
all goods remaining undelivered after
the 3rd May, 1929, will be subject
to rent.

No fire Insurance has been effect-
ed.

Bills of Lading will be countersign-
ed by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 27th April, 1929.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

LYOYD TRIESTINO NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

The Motor Vessel,
"ROMOLO"

arrived from Trieste and ports on
the 27th April, 1929, and in conse-
quence of fire on board whilst en-
route to Trieste, consignees of
cargo are hereby notified that a Gen-
eral Average has been declared. It
is, therefore, necessary for the Aver-
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posit of 2 per cent. paid on the
market value of the goods on arrival.

All goods are being landed at con-
signees' risk into the non-hazardous
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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been
obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting
Machine, which includes 40 compo-
nents for the better prediction of tides,
from the result of the analysis of the
tidal observations, taken at the Kow-
loon tidal observatory under the
direction of Dr. Doherty during the
years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

The times and heights are given for
Kowloon, but they may be used for
the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen,
the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

April 26 to May 2, 1929.

DATE HIGH-WATER LOWER-WATER

Standard Standard
Times Times

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INTERFERENCE?

"CHARLES HARDOUN" CASE
MAY BE RE-HEARD

LEGAL GROUNDS

This morning Mr. Leo
d'Almada made an application to
the Hon. Commander G. F. Hole,
at the Marine Court for the re-
hearing of the case in which Mr.
A. G. Corbin, chief officer of the
"Charles Hardoun," charged
Chow Jar-hoo, manager of the
same vessel for interfering with
him whilst in the execution of his
duty.

The case, it will be remember-
ed, came before the Marine Court
on Tuesday last, and the accused
was fined \$1,000. Evidence was

DON'T WASTE WATER!

to the effect that Mr. Corbin was
on the bridge during a voyage
from Wuchow to Hong Kong, and
when passing Pillar Point, he
thought it was necessary to slow
down in view of other vessels
steaming ahead of the "Charles
Hardoun." It was alleged that
the accused came on the bridge
and ordered Mr. Corbin to speed
up again. This order was refused
by Mr. Corbin and, as a result,
he was dismissed from service the
following day.

This morning in making the ap-
plication, Mr. d'Almada said that
he was doing so under Section 96
of the Magistrates' Ordinance,
both on legal grounds and on
circumstances.

His Worship said that he had
recorded the fact that Mr.
d'Almada had made an application
for re-hearing of the case in
question, and he would adjourn
the case sine die for considera-
tion.

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metres, of which 212 kilometres
length is marine cable, the total
weight being 2,000 tons. The thick-
ness of the cable is 45 m/m on the
Swedish side and 50 m/m on the
Finnish side. It contains 32 copper
wires, spun together four and four
into eight four-wire conductors.
Seven of these are intended for an
equal number of calls on the four-
wire principle between Sweden and
Finland, the eighth trunk permitting
two calls on the two-wire principle
between Aaland and the mainland of
Finland and Sweden.

WATER SUPPLY

Level and Storage of water in Re-
servoirs on April 1, 1929:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER
WORKS.

1928 1929

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"JUNK MURDER"

EVIDENCE OPENS AGAINST A
FOKI

ACCUSED'S DENIAL

Yesterday afternoon the hearing
of the "Junk Murder" case was
continued by Mr. E. W. Hamilton,
at the Central Magistracy.

Chung Pin, father of the two
dead girls, gave evidence bearing
out Mr. Somerset Fitzroy's opening
statement. When he was shown a
torn jacket, he identified it as the
garment worn by the accused foki
(Chau Kau) when he left the junk
on the day of the murder (March
18). It then had a tear in one
shoulder as on the one produced in
Court.

Mr. Fitzroy explained to his
Worship that that jacket was found
in the sampan near the body of one
of the murdered girls.

Asked to question his employer,
accused said: "It is not my affair.
It was Wong Yau who did it."

Replying to Mr. Hamilton,
Chung Pin said that he had never
seen the man named by accused,
nor had he heard of him.

Dr. John Dovey, Government
Medical Officer at the Kowloon mor-
tuary gave evidence as to the in-
juries on the two murdered girls.

A knife was produced in Court,
the point of which was slightly
turned up and Dr. Dovey said that
the turned up point would be
consistent with hitting the verte-
bral column.

The knife was found on board the
sampan 24 hours after the tragedy.

Dr. Dovey added that the turned
up point of the knife was indeed
most significant.

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Mr. and Mrs. Crane-Williams,
Graham Black, Robert Menzies,
Mrs. R. K. Atrey, son and daugh-
ter, Chang Wing-shing, T.
Reankham, Luang Birabed, Mr.
and Mrs. Fong Yih, Jack Ho,
Leung Yan-po, Leung Man-pak,
S. G. Kridland, P. Loureiro, Y. S.
Shu, V. Ojinsky, Mr. and Mrs.
Som Yep-koong, Mr. and Mrs. L. A.
Headley, Mr. and Mrs. Woo Tze-
shih, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Chun,
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daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Cabot Lodge, Miss Helen Mc-
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Mrs. Wm. C. Lethworth, Gee
Chong, Gee Ming-lun, Quan Jow-
foon, H. E. Newman, Luang Y.
Bendayagon, Mom Luang S. S.
Pramoja, Mrs. M. Doyle, Tsang
Kwong, Mr. and Mrs. Tan Ying-
chui, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tai, Y. Y.
Chang, Mr. and Mrs. H. Reiss, Mr.
and Mrs. H. C. Parr, Chan Lan-
ting, Earl F. Baskey, Mrs. Woo
Sze, Chan Kai-young, Chan Kai-
man.

The award of the Air Force
Cross to Squadron Leader G. E.
Livock, D.F.C., was announced in
the New Year Honours List.
Squadron Leader Livock is at pre-
sent in command of the R.A.F.
flying boat squadron at Seletar,
and was second-in-command during
the flying boats' cruise from Eng-
land to Australia, back to Singa-
pore, and to Hong Kong and back.

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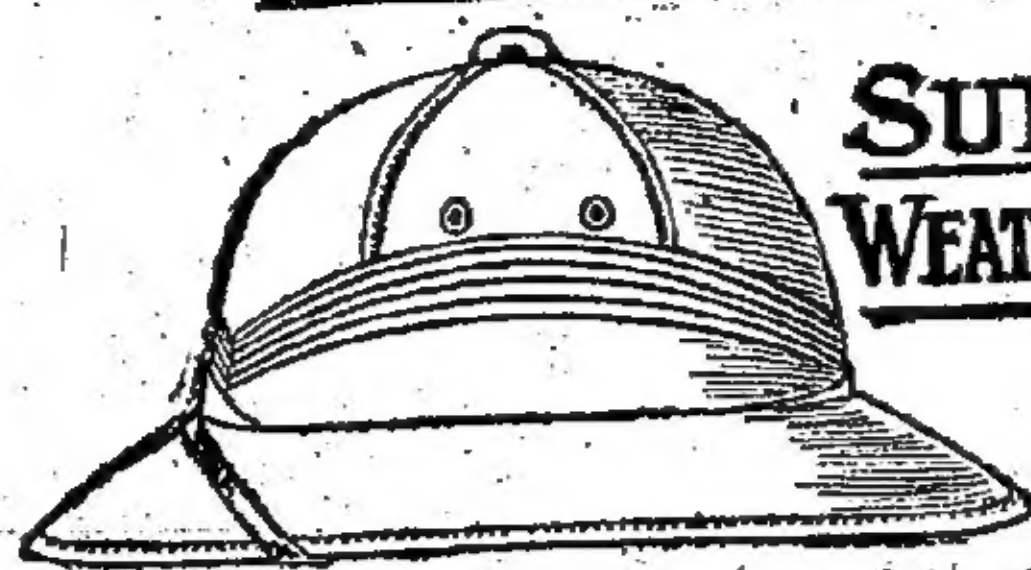
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PEACE, NOT COMPROMISE

If a single authority prevails in a country, there will be peace. If two rival authorities exist, clashes are bound to occur in that country. If two or more authorities existing in a country—such as China—can be amalgamated before they are in a position to oppose each other, a peaceful reign will be possible. Hence, if further civil war is to be avoided in China, the nation must see to the centralisation of authority. In amalgamating all authorities into a single unit, emphasis must be laid on its being done before the diverse authorities have attained the position of rivalry toward each other. And the amalgamation must not be a compromise only, but should be so effected that the two or more factions are mingled together without the slightest distinction, thus rendering war impossible, or at least unlikely. When two factions have reached a position to challenge or threaten each other, whatever means are adopted by peace-makers in their endeavour to avoid war—"avoid" because they are powerless to prevent it—the best result they can achieve cannot be more than a patched-up peace for the time being only, and war will inevitably break out in the end until one of the factions is vanquished.

Take, for instance, the so-called Kwangsi military group. It has been defeated in the field and, by one means or another, three of the four provinces under its control have been wrested from its leaders by supporters of the National Government in Nanking. But one province remains to the group, that of Kwangsi itself, and

the sequel is a mild under-current of uneasiness as to the future in South China, merely because the issue has not been taken to a definite conclusion.

One reason why the Nationalist Army—and particularly its units, whether they be called group armies or divisions—must be under the control of the people is that the personal whims and dictates of Generals cannot be gratified; and jealousies not aroused to provoke civil war. With the army under its sole control, if only through the medium of the Kuomintang, the nation can prevent the growth of dual or multiple authority within the realm and do so as effectively as occasion may demand. This principle can hardly apply to China today, since the revolution has derived its power and strength from various changing sources from the very beginning. It now remains for all "participants of power" (to borrow a unique Chinese phrase) and individuals of influence to recognise this most important principle and act in accord therewith by devoting their brawn and brain to the cause of the country, at the same time banishing their suspicions and selfishness. Once they do this, China will have permanently got rid of civil turmoil, say what will—the "Christian General" or Chiang Kai-shek as to who will keep out of Nanking or go abroad in the near future—surely the most childish manner of politely expressing discontent with each other.

Bias Bay Wireless

It is good to read that the Chinese are at last doing something of a really practical nature towards helping to uproot the pirates, who have for far too long infested Bias Bay. We are now informed that Chinese officials, probably under the inspiration of the powers-that-be in Canton, have installed a wireless station on the summit of a hill adjacent to Bias Bay, and that the station has been functioning for some time past. We read that the station "may be found to be of exceptional value in the case of a piracy where the ship is taken to Bias Bay." And it is added (with a certain amount of unconscious humour, it seems to us) "provided of course that the pirate leaders do not discover it for themselves and dismantle it." We are inclined to think there is very good reason for such a fear, as Bias Bay pirates, in spite of their many other bad qualities, have not so far shown themselves as inordinately stupid. They probably know quite as much about wireless and its potential dangers to them even better than the Chinese officials responsible for the station's erection. We read that the station is situated on what was formerly a fortification, and if the officials would act wisely they had better see to it that the place continues to be well

fortified. Even though the station may not prove to be so useful as all law-abiding folk will hope, still, it points to the pleasing fact that the Chinese, like foreigners, realise the necessity of coping as drastically as possible with the Bias Bay piratical pests.

Science has to deal with non-material physical entities like electricity and light, which cannot be explained in terms of matter, and which demand some intermediate medium of limitless extent, filling up all the interstices between the atoms. Of such a medium, which is called ether, we have witness already, and presently it will begin to yield its secrets. — "Morning Post" (London).

The seventh annual athletic sports meeting of the Cheung Chau Government School will be held on Saturday, when Mrs. Southern will present the prizes.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. G. E. Ahwee, merchant, Prince Edward-road, Kowloon City, to Mrs. R. Zimmerman, No. 325, Kowloon Tong.

A collision involving tramcars Nos. 67 and 71, a motor lorry, and a hand cart occurred yesterday opposite the Wing Lok wharf. One of the trams was slightly damaged, but no one was injured.

No damage was caused when two motor cars, one a private car and the other a public vehicle, collided in Causeway-road. The speed of the two vehicles was moderate as both were passing each other at a narrow section of the road.

The Police yesterday received a report from Sanitary Inspector Strange that a syphon dome was stolen from the latrine at the junction of Garden-road, and Queen's-road. A strange thing for anyone to take a fancy to!

The scaffolding erected outside the old Hong Kong Hotel site collapsed last night at 8.30, falling on Des Voeux-road Central thus causing a temporary suspension of the tram service. The debris, however, was soon cleared and the trams resumed their run.

The Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell, chaplain to His Majesty's forces stationed here, and formerly acting head master of the Central British School, is leaving for home on holiday by the s.s. "Empress of Russia," to-morrow. Mr. Upsdell, who is accompanied by his wife and son, is proceeding via Canada.

Des Voeux-road Central was the scene of a collision between a motor cycle and a public car yesterday. As both vehicles were going slowly at the time the impact was not heavy and neither vehicle was damaged. The driver of the public car who reported the accident to the Police said that the cycle was driven by a European.

Twenty-three Chinese fishery folk are reported to have all succumbed to poisoning after partaking of an evening meal which included a curiously shaped fish which was caught earlier in the day in the vicinity of Chung-chau. The story was brought to Hong Kong late last night by passengers from Cheung-chau, who stated that the fish was of a species never before seen in these waters.

An unusual accident occurred in Kowloon yesterday. A motor lorry conveying iron bars to the Observatory was ascending the hill when its gear slipped and the vehicle ran downward. The driver applied the brake, but this did not hold the lorry, which collided with Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio's motor car, which was parked outside Observatory Building. Slight damage was done to the car.

Captain R. M. Bakewell, of the Somerset Light Infantry, was yesterday fined \$20 by Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy for driving a car recklessly. Capt. Bakewell said that on April 9 he and two friends were in a hurry to catch the last ferry over to Stonecutters, but he denied driving dangerously. He had even a car for 14 years without having had trouble. Sergeant Saxin said that defendant was driving at a speed of approximately 55 miles per hour.

Passengers who left by the "President Pierce" for Shanghai or America to-day included:—Mr. Earl F. Baskley, pilot representative of the Mahoney-Ryan Aircraft Corporation, travelling to Shanghai; Mr. Graham Black, of the F.M.S. Civil Service, returning home via Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Crane Williams, travelling home to Europe via the U.S. (Mr. Crane Williams is a Director of the Austin Motor Co.); and Mr. H. Arns, commercial representative, returning home to Europe via the U.S.

CORRESPONDENCE

SOME SUGGESTIONS

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]
Sir,—Will you be kind enough to allow me space for the following few observations.

The state of the main street leading from the Yau-mat Ferry to Nathan-road and around the Yau-mat Police Court and the Market, is little short of a scandal. For many months now this main street with its side arms as above, is left in an unfinished state showing several long patches of asphalted surface, whilst the remainder is left covered with innumerable sharp-edged stones which make the walking on it even in leather shoes painful and uncomfortable. But what about the many thousands of Chinese who have to use this main street daily on their way to and from the Ferry and the Market, many of whom are cargo coolies in bare feet carrying heavy loads on bamboo poles. The state of this main road is a veritable daily torture to them and to all who have to use it. May this letter serve to remedy this long standing neglect and bring about the covering of the road for its entire length and breadth with a smooth asphalt surface without delay.

I feel it my duty to herewith voice the opinion of a good number of citizens that the "Blinking Light" Signal Post near the Post Office had better not be re-

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erected. There can be little doubt that it does irritate and distract pedestrians and drivers with its blinks at such long intervals. If a red light on a post is necessary at this spot, which many doubt, as a traffic signal visible from all sides and of a shape intelligible to all, would be of far greater effect—let us at least have a permanent red light non-blinking, and non-irritating which does not produce that distracting effect, which has caused a driver to steer right into it and to knock it down.

What every decent town and also Hong Kong really needs, is a whole net of municipally-operated normal time clocks erected by electricity. This is a public need of first necessity, and this scheme should be brought up for discussion at an early moment before the right authorities. In the meanwhile public enterprise could do much to donate at least one town clock, near the Post Office, as above, by either starting a public collection, or approach one or the other of our wealthy "Town Fathers" to present a Town Clock to the city in his own name and for its commemoration. Such clock would then be known throughout all posterity as the "N.N." Clock, which would richly reward the generosity of its donor. Would any of our leading British or Chinese newspapers not take the lead in this matter and energetically support and propagandise the scheme till it is brought to a successful end?

Will anyone versed in technical and local matters kindly state whether it would be possible and practicable to erect in Hong Kong a vegetable disinfecting station? The demand for more and sanitary vegetables is daily on the increase, and something should be done to provide the consumer with good produce answering his needs.

I noticed that none of our street and underground retrades possesses ventilation chimneys reaching above the roofs of houses in the neighbourhood, and the pregnant smell is allowed to float about and thoroughly envelop the whole neighbourhood. This is an appalling anti-sanitary state and cannot be tolerated much longer. For instance, the stink emanating from the underground retrade at the foot of Fottinger-street and Queen's-road corner, also from the retrade below King's College is at times dreadful. They are both situated in thickly populated areas and at main thoroughfares. A suitable and effective system of ventilation by high air chimneys should be introduced without delay, not only at the two named spots, but at every public retrade.

Whilst our good city has not yet a "Town Clock," it seems that it can be proud of a "Town Garbage Box," and that on the main thoroughfare, too. For that is exactly the impression created by that rough, dirty looking, unpainted structure right in the middle of the pavement of Asiatic Building. Since workmen are not working there daily the whole day, but only occasionally for a short while, would it not have been sufficient to effect the re-

ITALIAN OPERA

"MADAME BUTTERFLY" GREATLY APPRECIATED

SPLENDID ACTING

A large and appreciative audience was present at the Star Theatre last evening to witness the production of Puccini's popular "Madame Butterfly."

The story of the opera is too well known to need any comments, and by this time the individual members of the company have demonstrated that they are in the front rank of their profession.

The weather, if conditions on the stage, were anything like those in the auditorium, was such that the slightest effort brought discomfort, but never for one moment did the players relax. Throughout the piece Signorina Ferrari, as "Cho Cho San," proved herself capable of splendid acting which, together with her most attractive voice, simply made "Madame Butterfly" live. Whether softly appealing or angrily demanding Signorina Ferrari was superb and her rendering of this difficult part will be remembered in Hong Kong for a long time to come.

She was admirably assisted by Signorina Benedetti who, as the servant, "Suzuki" was responsible, to a great extent, for the success of the piece. Her voice, more powerful than that possessed by "Cho Cho San," acted as a most pleasing contrast, and the music especially in the second act, was made even more beautiful by the enchanting singing of "Suzuki" and her mistress.

As the American naval officer, "Pinkerton," Signor Taminello was all that could be expected of him. His rich tenor voice, and his delightful acting combined to please every one.

As the "American Consul," Signor Barontini portrayed in his usual excellent manner the person by whom many of the difficult explanations were made, and although the part was not a big one he made it, by his powerful voice, one which could not be forgotten easily.

The staging was, in view of the small space, excellent; and the orchestration, directed by Cav. C. Castagnino, as good as we have heard for a long, long time.

In "Madame Butterfly" another success must be placed to the credit of this excellent and undoubtedly talented Italian Opera Company.

pairs to the electrical cables necessary at times, under a quickly erectable and removable waterproof canvas tent, as it is done frequently in other places. This large ugly looking permanent brick structure appears to be entirely out of place in the middle of any pavement, the more in the very heart and centre of Hong Kong. This permanent structure is an eyesore to many, and should be replaced by a manhole opening at the street level in conjunction with the use of a removable folding tent, if there is the least possibility for it. Pending this the provision of a decent coat of cement and paint should be applied to it by the owners as soon as possible. We have painted the City Hall fountain. Let us now paint also this poor erection and continue in the good work before our inspiration is gone, for there are many things that need a thorough cleaning, whitewashing and painting in Hong Kong.

The death rate in Hong Kong from tuberculosis is not less than 50 per cent. of the total number of deaths, according to a recent statement in the Press. This disease is directly traceable to the terrible firewood smoke and the more terrible absence of a separate and segregated space for toilet stools in the Chinese flats, which our approved building plans compel us. What steps is the Sanitary Department contemplating for the abolishment of these two big causes of tuberculosis in Hong Kong? What steps is that Department taking for the elimination of fire wood burning and the introduction of gas throughout Hong Kong of gas for cooking purposes in the richer households and of kerosene primus cookers in the poorer households?

When will our laws compel the installation of sanitary and fireproof stone or gypsum partitions of a removable kind, and of air and ventilation pipes leading from each and every flat over the top of the roof? When will it enforce the cleaning up of all verandahs now often entirely closed to the fresh air and light by rubbish, rags, boxes and other obstructing material? This especially refers to places like Yau-mat, West Point, Wanchai, etc.

When will the prices of the Star Ferry Company be reduced to 5 cents?

Yours etc.

HERBERT EDWARD LANEPART.
Hong Kong, April 29, 1929.

FIGHT FOR LIFE

WOMAN ATTACKED BY
DEMENTED HUSBAND

ASSAILANT'S SUICIDE

A tragedy in which a Chinese attempted to murder his wife and then committed suicide occurred soon after 6 o'clock this morning.

As the result of the affair Tang Chi (31), is in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from two cut wounds, whilst the body of her husband, Lau Mat (56) lies in the public mortuary.

The couple lived on the first floor of No. 15, Pokfulam-road. They came to the district about two months ago but had always kept very much to themselves, and little was known of them by the neighbours.

The first intimation the Police at No. 7, Police Station had of the affair was when the woman appeared there at 6.50 a.m. She had a cut wound on the left temple and another on her wrist. She alleged that she had been attacked by her husband whilst she was asleep. He was armed with a chopper and, in the struggle for life which followed, she seized hold of the chopper and was cut in the hand.

Finally she managed to break away and run into the street, whence she made her way to the Police Station. When she left the house her husband was in their cubicle, wielding the chopper like a demented person. She could offer no reason for her husband attacking her as they had had no quarrel.

The Police rushed the woman off to the Government Civil Hospital and immediately proceeded to the house. On arrival they found the husband lying dead on the floor with a deep gash in his throat and the chopper by his side. He had apparently committed suicide.

PLANE TRAGEDY

IDENTIFICATION OF THE
THREE VICTIMS

PHOTOGRAPHER'S FATE

The bodies of the three Chinese spectators who were killed in the aeroplane accident following the farewell to H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester on Saturday evening, have all been identified at the Kowloon Hospital yesterday.

They were:

Liu Chun (33), dye worker employed at the Yau Tak Shing works, Sheungshap, a native of Heungshan;

Liu Kam-shek, dye worker employed at the Yau Tak Shing works, Shatiyuen, a native of Heungshan; and

Fung Woon (22), photographer employed by the Mee Kwong Studio, No. 1, Cheong On-street, Kowloon City, a native of Nam-hoi.

Damage done to the aeroplane is estimated to amount to \$8,000, which means that it is a total wreck. The three demolished huts suffered damaged to the extent of \$250.

"GHOST TRAIN"

DRIVERLESS FOR 15
MILES

A WILD DASH

A real "ghost train," which travelled for 15 miles without driver or fireman, dashing through four stations and over level crossings and defying all efforts to stop it, caused consternation on the main London and North-Eastern Railway line in Lincolnshire recently.

The train, which consisted of a locomotive and five goods wagons, was standing in a siding at Spalding and had been temporarily left by the driver and fireman. Suddenly it began to move. It ran out of the siding on to the main line towards Stamford, gathering speed as it went. Both the driver and fireman were unable to reach it, and the signalman, surprised to see the train pass his box in defiance of his signals, telephoned the news along the line.

A Clear Line

All stations to Stamford, 18 miles away, were warned to keep the line clear for the runaway. Fortunately there were no trains on the line, which is used by boat-expresses from Liverpool and the Midlands to Harwich.

As the train reached each station attempts were made to jump on to the engine and shut off the steam, but defiantly the train went on through Pinstock, Goberton, Gunningham, and Helpingham.

By this time, however, the runaway was becoming exhausted from its wild dash, and finally it came to a standstill near Helpingham through failure of steam. It was then taken into a siding and the line re-opened to normal traffic.

Britain supplied 1,140 out of the 30,535 motor vehicles registered in Berlin during the past year.

TREASURY CASE

(Continued from Page 1.)

Hypothetical Questions

Mr. Sheldon put two what he termed hypothetical questions to Mr. Messer as to what he would have done had he known that 30 cheques were missing and that the numbers on the cover of the book had been altered.

It was at this stage that Mr. Messer announced that only yesterday he had come across two receipt books, from each of which three receipt forms had been torn out. Obviously, he added, that was a case for further inquiries. He had never had the experience of discovering that cheques were missing and therefore, to-day, found it hard to say what he would have done at the time.

Mr. Messer also gave his version of a telephone conversation with Mr. Grayburn—of the Bank who, he stated, rang him up. According to Mr. Messer, Mr. Grayburn asked: "What about those cheques?" The signatures are genuine," Mr. Messer replied: "They are not." Mr. Grayburn then said: "Black said in our office yesterday that his was genuine."

Mr. Messer rejoined: "Black says it is not. They're forgeries." "I then cut him off," Mr. Messer added in the witness-box.

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Difficult to Hear
On Mr. H. A. Lamert (foreman of the special jury) suggesting that Mr. Messer might stand nearer to the jurors, his Lordship observed that he knew it was difficult to hear and sympathised with Mr. Messer. But the jury had to hear and he therefore ordered Mr. Messer to stand at the other side of the Court, his Lordship also moving to the chair next him in order to hear better from the new position.

Mr. Sheldon then dealt with the handwriting and signature on the cheques. Mr. Messer said he had examined a number of cheques "for the remarkable similarity of peculiarities of my own handwriting."

The case is proceeding.

DUAL PERSONALITY

CHINESE RECEPTION IN
HOSPITAL

IMAGES AND FIREARMS

A plea of dual personality was put forward at Oxford recently, when Bryan Stanley Moseley, aged 17, of Fairfield Vicarage, Buxton, was charged with stealing a gold cigarette case from Messrs. Samuel's shop in Oxford.

Mr. Galpin, defending, said the boy was not normal. His peculiarities started with a liking for Chinese images. He made a habit of collecting these and frequenting Chinese laundries so that he could meet Chinese. "He even went so far as to ask his parents if he could bring Chinese to his home."

Another weakness was a liking for firearms.

Dr. Harrison Hall said Moseley suffered from a dual personality. He might be perfectly normal and then something happened which caused him to become enthralled with the idea of being something else. For a time he became a different personality, and during that time his actions were in accordance with the character he adopted.

Haunted Landlady

The Rev. C. S. Moseley, vicar of Fairfield, said when his son was very young they discovered that if he found anything sensational in a book he read it over until his eyes began to twitch. The Chinese became an obsession with him. He did nothing but haunt Chinese laundries, and when he went into an eye hospital for an operation he held a reception for Chinese.

The magistrates dismissed the charge under the Probation of Offenders' Act on condition that the boy was sent to a specialist for treatment.

The Sub-Conscious Mind
The possibility of the existence of a dual personality has been recognised in every age, writes the "Medical Correspondent of the Daily Mail". The explanation of it has varied infinitely.

Modern psychologists call the two components the conscious and the sub-conscious mind.

In normal individuals the conscious, reasoning mind can hold the wild plungings of the sub-conscious in check. If its grip is relaxed by disease it loses all control. If the disease is permanent we call this loss of control madness. If it is merely transient, we call it delirium.

M. Pringle and A. Hodgkinson, British immigrants into Canada, who landed from the liner "Regina," are missing, and it is feared that they may have perished in the railway smash in Ontario.

MILITARY SERVICE

CHINESE PROPOSAL DISCUSSED
AT GENEVA

QUESTION OF ABOLITION

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Disarmament Committee to-day discussed the Chinese proposal to abolish the system of universal military service, "which tends to engender a warlike spirit in the minds of people, intensifying antagonism to neighbouring States, and thereby creating a so-called militaristic nationalism, which is incompatible with the principles of the League of Nations."

The Chairman asked the Chinese delegation not to press the matter, but to leave it to the Bureau to deal with the form in which the proposal should be embodied.

The Chinese delegate agreed to await the decision of the Bureau, but reserved the right to return to the subject later, after reference to his government.

Doctor Riddell, (Canada), sympathised with the Chinese proposal, but associated himself with the view expressed by Great Britain, the United States, Sweden, and Holland.

Count Bernstorff favoured the abolition of compulsory military service, whilst M. Litvinoff said he was not opposed to the Chinese proposal and principle.

"Mutual Protection"

The committee entered into the examination of Article Eight in the Draft Convention providing for the limitation of effectives.

A proposal by M. Litvinoff to substitute "reduction" for "limitation" was dropped, after a speech by Lord Cushendun, pointing out that the question of limitation and reduction was already settled, and British land forces already reduced to the limit provided by the Article.

Count Bernstorff, in the course of the discussion, said they were not asking the Powers which had already disarmed to disarm again. He hoped that in future the Conference would not degenerate into a conference of mutual protection against disarmaments. (Laughter)

A German proposal to amend Article Eight of the Draft Convention so as to include the limitation of trained reserves was rejected, only the German, Chinese, and Soviet delegations voting for the motion.

DEATH LETTERS

OXFORD PROFESSOR'S
TRAGEDY

FOUND DEAD

Remarkable letters in Serbian were read at the inquest on Professor Nevill Forbes, Professor of Russian at Oxford University, who was found dead in his bedroom.

These were produced by a friend, Mr. L. Cairn, an architect, of Hook, Hampshire.

Professor Forbes was one of the greatest authorities on Slavonic languages.

A verdict was returned of "Death from wounds self-inflicted during temporary insanity."

Mr. Cairn said that the professor had been to London about his teeth, and was worried as to the result of a blood test.

He thought that he had some serious complaint, and it had preyed on his mind. Mr. Cairn said he left Oxford satisfied that he had dispelled the professor's doubts.

William Byles, the professor's servant, said his master had never been subject to fits of depression until recently. The condition of his teeth and a swelling of his ankle had troubled him.

He found the professor in a bath, the water of which was stained with blood.

One letter, addressed to the professor's sister, read: "Good-bye. God bless you. Thank you for all you have done for me. Please give Willie £200 in addition to what I have left him. He has been a saint and an angel. My love."

Another letter, in Serbian, a language which the professor often used in correspondence, read—

"If I should die now, tell Janet to make over to Willie £1,000. I have already arranged for £100 for yourself, and give the same to my other friends as souvenirs. Thank you for coming to see me. Good-bye, my dear friend. Janet is to give another £100 to Gabriel. I wish to leave Jock £100. I also wish you and Gabriel to take what you like of the pictures, glass and silver."

The following paper was found on his death: "Cremation, please. Don't let any one stay in the house. I am sure it is dangerous."

Dr. Waters, Professor Forbes' medical adviser, said he was suffering from pyorrhea and a minor skin disease. The wounds he inflicted on himself were not serious. They hoped to save his life, but he suddenly collapsed and died.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN
TO JAVA

Sir William and Lady Marison spent a recent week-end at Klang, and took part in the lawn tennis tournament.

The Dowager Countess of Seafield and Miss Pritchard left Government House, Singapore, recently.

The engagement is announced of Miss Nora Macky, of the Y.W.C.A. Kuala Lumpur, and Mr. Survey, Phang.

Capt. G. D. Rushton, late of the Singapore Pilot Service, and Mrs. Rushton, left for home by the "Selandia," on retirement.

Mrs. Pritchard, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Rupert Manasseh and the Hon. Dr. A. L. Hoops had luncheon at Government House, Singapore, recently.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary and Mrs. Scott, the Hon. Mr. G. E. Shaw and Dr. van Blankenstein dined at Government House, Singapore, recently.

Mr. C. J. Corbin, the Welch Regiment, has arrived at Government House, Singapore, and assumed duties as Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency.

Mr. J. H. M. Robson writes from Hong that Lady Maxwell and one of her sons have been ill with influenza. Mr. Robson was expected to arrive in Singapore shortly.

In reply to an invitation by wireless, Dr. Alfred Sze said that he would attend the tiffin of the Pan-Pacific Union which was to be held in the Astor House, Shanghai, last week.

As guest of honour with Dr. Sze, Prof. G. G. Wilson, who holds the chair of International Law at Harvard University, was to speak on "International Relations on the Pacific."

During the week ending 9 a.m. on Saturday, (April 20) the Shanghai Municipal police arrested 305 persons, of whom 22 were charged with being armed robbers, and two alleged murderers. During the first 12 hours of last week, the police made an auspicious beginning, (says the "N. C. Daily News") arresting 20 alleged armed robbers, 18 by Central Station and two by Sinza.

During his visit to Kuala Lumpur H.E. the Governor of the Straits stayed with the Chief Secretary and Lady Peel at Carcosa. His Excellency inspected the Rubber Research Institute and opened the new Victoria Institute. He was present at an official dinner at Carcosa. His Excellency also inspected the experimental plantation at Serdang and later left for Singapore.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Clifford, attended by Mr. Chick, A.D.C., had luncheon with the Hon. Mr. G. E. Shaw, General Adviser to the Regents, at Johore, on Sunday, Mar. 24. There were present the Regents of Johore (H.H. Tungku Mahkota and the Dato Mentr Besar), H.H. Tungku Ampuan Besar of Pahang, H.H. Tungku Bendahara of Johore, H.H. Tungku Temenggong of Johore and Lieut.-Colonel Dato Abdul Hamid, Acting Colonel Commandant, Johore Military forces.

Three weeks' hard labour was the sentence passed by Major C. Wilson, O.B.E., yesterday on a Chinese charged with the unlawful possession of six new blankets. The Police made inquiries at various shops, none claimed the property.

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SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre;
"Iron Mask."
To-day—World Theatre;
"The Enemy."
To-day—Star Theatre;
"The Patsy."
To-day—Majestic Theatre;
"Spring Fever."
To-day—Grand Italian opera
"Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci" at Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

Home Mail

To-day—Outward for U.S.A. ports and Europe via Vancouver 5 p.m., and Europe via Siberia 6 p.m. (Empress of Russia) for San Francisco, etc., (Shinyo Maru) 5 p.m.

Lambers' Auctions
May 1—At 292, the Peak, Gough Hill, valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

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May 2—Sales Room, Duddell-st., valuable household and blackwood furniture, 3.30 p.m.

May 3—At 324 Kowloon Tong, valuable household furniture, blackwood and fine silver ware, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Sports

May 3—S.C. Command Inter-unit contest, Sookumpoo Valley.

May 4—Seventh Annual Athletic sports meeting of Cheung Chau Govt. School.

Meetings

To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

To-day—H.K. Football Assn. Council meeting, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—Combined meeting of China Coast Officers' and Marine Engineers' Guild (H. K. Branch), 67, Des Voeux-rd., 5.30 p.m.

May 7—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, Helena May Institute, 5.15 p.m.

May 10—Further meeting of United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., Messrs. Dodwell & Co.'s offices, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous

May 1—Spring Festival at Quarry Bay School, 11 a.m.

May 2—Bridge party at Taihook Club in aid of H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.

May 10—At Volunteer Headquarters, Annual Corps smoking concert, dinner and distribution of Corps trophies and musketry prizes.

The report of the Indian Broadcasting Company, from which the European staff resigned a few months ago, shows a loss of £16,000 during the year. The directors complain of piracy and the non-payment of tribute by wireless importers.

In consequence of the precautions taken with regard to the outbreak of yellow fever in Rio de Janeiro certain shipping companies have ordered their vessel not to touch at the port.

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MILITARY LAND

WRONG CHARGE AGAINST A
CHINESE

PECULIAR CASE

The Kowloon Magistrate, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith was in a dilemma yesterday when a Chinese was brought before him charged under Section 4 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895, which reads:

"Every person found in the immediate vicinity of any battery, or of any naval or military premises or anchorages, or of any of His Majesty's ships, and with sketching, drawing photographic, or painting materials or apparatus in his possession with the intention of contravening the provisions of section 2 shall, upon summary conviction, etc."

His Worship expressed his doubt as to whether the accused could be charged with that offence. Sergt. Weymes said that the accused was found inside the Hankow Barracks. He was engaged in filling a sack with dog biscuits and, when asked for his pass and the nature of his business, he was unable to give a satisfactory explanation.

His Worship asked why the accused was not charged with larceny. Sergt. Weymes said that he did not think that there was evidence even to support a charge of attempted larceny.

His Worship intimated that there was another section under which the accused could be charged. That was Section 8, sub-section 3 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1845, which said:

"Trespassing, by man or beast, upon or in any messuage, tenement, cemetery, or land vested in or under the control or management of any public officer or department whatsoever."

"Well," continued his Worship, "I don't know if even that includes military officers and military land. I think I had better adjourn this case for 24 hours and you might take advice as to what you are going to charge him with."

His Worship remarked that he could not convict the accused on the present charge.

The case was again brought up this morning when His Worship decided that the original charge, that of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895 was quite correct and met the requirements of the case.

A fine of \$7, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment was imposed.

MRS. SUN YAT-SEN

Nanking, Yesterday.
Mrs. Sun Yat-sen is going to Peking from Germany early in May to accompany her late husband's remains to the capital. She is expected at Peking on May 20 and the remains will be conveyed to Nanking on May 26.—Reuter.

CHINA DISBANDMENT

Nanking, Yesterday.
It is stated that the second China Disbandment Conference will be held here shortly. The need for it results from the recent military changes consequent on the extermination of the Kwangsi-lites.—Reuter.

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Bank, 4 months' sight 1/11 3/4

Credits, 4 months' sight 2/- 3/4

Documentary 4 months' sight 2/- 1/2

On Paris—

On demand 1212 1/2

Credits, 4 months' sight 1287 1/2

On Berlin—

On demand 47 1/2

On New York—

On demand 47 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire 130 1/4

On demand 130 1/4

On Calcutta—

Wire 130 1/4

On demand 130 1/4

On Singapore—

On demand 84 1/4

On Manila—

On demand 95 1/4

On Shanghai—

On demand 79

90 day's sight (private paper) 79

On Yokohama—

On demand 105

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LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.

Paris 124.15 1/2

New York 48 5/8 9/32

Brussels 34.94

Geneva 25.20

Amsterdam 12.07

Milan 52.62 1/2

Berlin 20.47 1/2

Stockholm 18.16 1/2

Copenhagen 18.19 1/2

Oslo 18.19 1/2

Vienna 34.65 1/2

Prague 164

Helsingfors 193

Madrid 33.85 1/2

Lisbon 108 1/4

Athens 75

Bucharest 81 1/4

Rio 5 57/64

Buenos Aires 47 5/16

Bombay 1/5 29/32

Shanghai 2/5 1/2

Hong Kong 1/11 3/4

Yokohama 1/10 9/32

Silver Spot & Forward 25 5/16

—British Wireless Service.

L.C.C. ARCHITECT

DROPS OVER STAIR
WELL

Mr. W. Bentley Purchase, deputy coroner, recorded a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind at a Lambeth inquest on Percy Phineas Nathan, 51, a London County Council architect, of Sumburgh-road, Balham, who fell over the staircase at the County Hall.

Mrs. Nathan said that for a week past her husband had been nervous owing to the frost and pipes bursting. When he left home there was nothing about him to make her think he would take his life.

Mr. James McCrae, also employed by the L.C.C. as an architect, said that Mr. Nathan had been depressed recently and complained of pains in his head and sleeplessness. When he arrived at the County Hall he said that he did not feel very grand, and went out of the room, which was on the sixth floor.

Michael Murphy, a messenger at the County Hall, said that he was between the third and fourth floor when he saw a body falling down the well of the staircase. On reaching the basement he found Mr. Nathan lying on his face.

It was stated that Mr. Nathan fell over 100ft., and the coroner's officer said that he found finger marks on the raised ledge on which the rail was built.

Dr. Ryan, of Clapham-common, said that Mr. Nathan had occasional attacks of giddiness, which was diagnosed as due to disordered action of the heart. Eighteen months ago he collapsed in the street, and the fall might have been due to a momentary anaemia of the brain through the heart missing a beat. He was a very serious minded man, easily affected by emotion, and he had advised him to take life easier.

Mr. Bentley Purchase said that Mr. Nathan seemed to have been depressed by trivial things. It had been suggested that he might have fallen over the staircase, but he was of opinion that the man took his own life. He was satisfied that the stair rail was adequate.

A fire at Bombay recently destroyed 7,000 bales of cotton, valued at \$30,000.

T.T. on London 1/11 1/4

T.T. on Shanghai 79 3/4

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H.K. Banks \$1200 b 1210 s

Chartered Bank \$134 n

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Mercantile A. & E. \$33 n

Mercantile C. \$15 1/4 n

P. & O. Bank \$9 1/4 n

Bank of East Asia \$90 1/2 n

Insurances

Canton Insurance \$695 b

Union Insurance \$370 s

North China Insurance \$160 b

Yangtze Insurance \$850 n

China Underwriters \$2.10 b 2.30 s

China Fire Insurance \$295 b

H.K. Fire Insurance \$765 b

Shipping

Douglases \$36 s

H.K. Steamboats \$26 b

H.K. Tugs & Lighters \$240 n

Indo-China (Pref.) \$40 n

Indo-China (Def.) \$70 n

Shell Transports \$98/- n

Shell Transports (new) \$22 n

Union Water-boats \$22 n

Mining

Benguela \$23 1/4 b

Kailan Mining Ad. \$66 2/3 n

Langkats (comb.) \$14 n

Langkats (singles) \$7 1/2 n

Shanghai Explorations \$2.90 s

Shanghai Loans \$7 1/2 n

Raubs \$6.65 n

Trench Mines \$17 1/2 n

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. & K. Wharves \$122 n

H.K. & W. Docks \$68 s

China Providents \$4 1/4 b

Hongkew \$178 b

New Engineering \$5.80 b

Shanghai Docks \$127 n

Cotton Mills

Ewo Cottons \$12 1/4 b

Oriental Cottons \$12 b

Shanghai Cottons (old) \$72 s

Shanghai Cottons (new) \$73 n

Lands, Hotels & Buildings

H.K. & S. Hotels \$8.60 b 8.65 sa

H.K. Lands \$61 1/4 b 62 sa

Shanghai Lands \$148 n

Humphreys' Estates \$14.35 n

H.K. Realities \$8.35 n

H.K. Territorials \$

Princes' Buildings \$

Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways \$18 1/2 b 18.65 s

Peak Trams (old) \$12 1/2 b 12.55 sa

Peak Trams (new) \$6.30 n

Star Ferries \$68 1/4 b 67 1/4 s

China Lights (comb.) \$56.35 s

China Lights (old) \$13.35 b

China Lights (new) \$

China Lights 1928 issue \$

H.K. Electrics (old) \$56.35 s

H.K. Electrics (new) \$56.10 1/4 sa

Macao Electrics \$26 1/4 n

H.K. Telephones \$7.05 b 7.15 s

China Buses \$14 b

Singapore Tractions \$11 1/6 n

Singapore Pref. \$16 1/6 b

Sandakan Lts. \$2 1/4 s

Industrials

China Sugars \$61 n

Malabon Sugars \$27 b

Canton Ices \$1 1/4 b 1.90 s

Cements (comb.) \$8.60 s

Cements (old) \$7.80 n

Cements (new) \$1.40 n

H.K. Ropes (old) \$6 1/2 n

H.K. Ropes (new) \$

United Asbestos \$5 b

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farms \$19 1/4 s

Watsons \$1.20 n

Der A. Wings 80 cts. b

Lane, Crawfords \$2 s

Mackintoshes \$18 b

Shiroes \$12 b

Wm. Powells \$3.65 n

Miscellaneous

H.K. Amusements \$29 1/2 b 29 1/2 sa

Hong Kong Constructions \$1 1/4 s

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GENERAL BOOTH

HONOUR BESTOWED ON
FORMER LEADER

London, Yesterday.

At the request of Mr. Baldwin, the King has approved the appointment of General Brangwell Booth as a Companion of Honour.—Reuter.

"For The Army"

General Booth, who is 73, has been seriously ill for many months. On receiving the news of the honour this morning he expressed his pleasure, saying that the gracious act of the King had cheered and rejoiced him very much. It was an honour not for himself but for the Army. He only wished he were in better condition to make use of it.—British Wireless Service.

DANISH PREMIER

MAJORITY OF CABINET
SOCIALISTS

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

The new Government formed recently will have as Premier the Socialist Herr Stauning. All the members of the Cabinet are Socialists except three Liberals, one of whom Herr Munch, is at the Foreign office. Herr Stauning can rely upon 77 votes out of 149 members in the Folketing.—Reuter.

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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL

CUP FINALISTS LOSE AT HOME

GRIMSBY'S SET BACK

London, Yesterday. Having just emerged from the great Cup Final struggle at Wembley Portsmouth had to play off a League match against Sheffield United-to-day, when they lost by the odd goal in five.

Leeds United conceded a point to the Cup winners, Bolton Wanderers.

In the Second Division Grimsby lost a good chance of making sure of the premier honours by only drawing with Bradford.

Torquay, in the Southern Section of Division III, pulled themselves out of the bottom four by a smart win over Luton on the latter's ground.

Playing at home in the Northern Section Barrow could make no impression on Crewe.

Results:

First Division

Leeds United 2, Bolton Wanderers 2.
Portsmouth 2, Sheffield United 3.

Second Division

Bradford 1, Grimsby 0.

Third Division (Southern)

Luton 1, Torquay 2.

Third Division (Northern)

Barrow 2, Crewe 4. —Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLES

The English League tables up to and including yesterday's matches are appended:—

First Division

	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.
Wednesday	41 21 10 10	85 58 52
Leicester	41 20 9 12	90 68 49
Aston Villa	41 22 4 15	94 80 48
Sunderland	41 20 7 14	93 71 47
Liverpool	41 17 11 13	89 63 45
Derby	41 18 9 14	83 68 45
Manchester C.	41 18 8 15	84 65 44
Blackburn	40 17 9 14	70 61 43
Arsenal	40 15 12 13	73 62 42
Newcastle	41 13 6 17	68 72 42
Leeds U.	40 16 9 15	70 61 41
Manchester U.	41 14 12 15	66 74 40
Everton	42 18 4 20	84 73 40
Sheffield U.	41 14 11 16	62 65 39
Bolton	40 13 12 15	63 71 38
West Ham	41 15 8 18	83 65 38
Birmingham	41 14 10 17	67 77 38
Huddersfield	40 13 10 17	67 60 36
Burnley	40 15 6 19	77 69 36
Portsmouth	41 16 5 21	66 80 35
Bury	40 12 6 22	56 92 30
Cardiff	41 8 12 21	42 58 28

Second Division

	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.
Middlesbrough	41 21 11 9	89 57 53
Grimsby	41 24 5 12	82 58 53
Bradford	41 22 4 15	87 68 48
Nottingham	41 22 4 15	87 68 48
Southampton	41 14 11 16	71 60 46
West Brom	41 15 8 18	83 65 46
Stoke	41 17 11 13	72 49 45
Chelsea	41 17 10 15	64 65 44
Blackpool	41 18 7 16	87 75 43
Tottenham	41 16 9 16	73 81 41
Nottingham Forest	41 14 12 15	70 70 40
Hull	41 13 14 14	63 62 40
Millwall	41 16 7 18	71 84 39
Preston	41 16 8 18	75 77 38
Wolves	41 15 7 19	76 76 37
Reading	41 14 9 18	69 84 37
Barnsley	41 15 6 20	67 80 36
Bristol C.	41 13 10 18	67 87 36
Swansea	41 13 10 18	62 72 36
Oldham	41 15 5 21	52 74 35
Port Vale	41 14 4 23	66 86 32
Clapton	41 12 8 21	43 68 32

Division III. (South)

	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.
Charlton	41 22 8 11	84 60 52
Norwich	41 20 11 10	95 56 51
Queens P.R.	41 19 9 13	67 67 50
Crystal P.	41 21 8 11	77 67 50
Fulham	41 20 10 11	100 71 50
Plymouth	40 18 12 10	73 51 48
Luton	41 19 10 12	88 72 48
Bournemouth	41 19 9 13	83 75 47
Watford	40 18 12 10	77 51 48
Coventry	41 14 13 14	61 66 41
Southend	41 15 11 15	79 73 41
Swindon	40 13 13 14	68 70 39
Brentford	41 14 10 17	66 59 38
Walsall	40 13 12 15	72 76 38
Brighton	40 15 6 19	68 74 36
Newport	40 13 8 19	65 79 34
Bristol R.	40 13 6 21	59 76 32
Torquay	41 12 6 22	64 83 32
Norwich	40 13 5 22	62 76 31
Merthyr	41 11 8 22	65 102 30
Exeter	41 9 11 21	67 86 29
Gillingham	40 9 9 22	42 80 27

(Continued on Next Column.)

LOCAL LEAGUE

CHINESE ATHLETIC SECURE PREMIER HONOUR

A KEEN CONTEST

The League championship was decided yesterday before a record crowd at Caroline Hill, the finalists being the China Athletic and the Somerset Light Infantry.

The team lined up as under:

Athletic—Chan Shek-pui, Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat, Ho Chai-yin, Wong Shui-wa, Lam Yuk-ying, Li Hung-ching, Li Wai-koon, Wong Pak-chong, Suen Kam-shun, Chen Kwong-ku.

S. L. I.—Hall, Lawrence, Hayward, Knapp, West, Chidgey, Rayson, Baker, Bewley-bull, Guest, and Butcher.

Mr. F. Smith refereed.

At the kick-off both teams worked like Trojans, and if there was anything to choose, the Chinese players were a shade more aggressive, and their forwards made good use of their opportunities.

Suen and Chen were the moving spirits on the field and after a minute's play, Lawrence was tested with a strong one, which he cleared in good style.

The soldiers up to this stage were unsettled, both the wings appeared to be out of form. Bewley-bull was all over the field playing a splendid game.

The play was fast from end to end, until Suen sent the ball into the net with a strong kick.

The Chinese then combined better, and Li Hung-ching sent the ball into the net again. This point was, however, disallowed, the referee ruling that Li Hung-ching was off-side. An injury to Knapp caused him to retire, and the Somersets continued with ten men for ten minutes, when Knapp returned.

Both sides were called on several occasions to put up their best defence, with the result that no further goal was scored.

When the whistle blew for the lemon, the Chinese was one up.

In the second moiety, the Somersets were seen to better advantage and after ten minutes, Bewley-bull netted the equaliser for his side.

With the score standing one all, excitement ran high, and with a redoubled effort, the Chinese went away from the kick-off and, when Chan got within shooting range, he sent in a beautiful grounder which again beat Hall.

After this the morale of the soldiers appeared to be somewhat dampened, and the Athletic had several opportunities of adding to their lead. Li Wai-koon however shot wide.

Just before time, the soldiers made a superhuman effort to get even, but the Chinese were satisfied with their lead and, instead of playing a scoring game, they remained on the defensive. The result was that the Somersets had to leave the field with one goal to their debit.

At the close of the game, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse presented the cup to the Chinese team and the medals to the runner-up.

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Stockport	41 27 6 8	108 56 60
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Wrexham	41 21 10 10	90 71 52
Doncaster	40 22 9 11	73 62 49
Wigan	40 23 8 12	79 47 48
Lincoln	41 21 6 14	90 65 48
Carlisle	42 19 8 15	86 77 45
Tranmere	41 21 3 17	75 77 45
S. Shields	41 18 8 15	82 71 44
Crewe	41 17 8 16	77 67 44
Chesham	41 18 5 18	71 74 41
Halifax	41 13 12 16	61 59 38
N. Brighton	41 15 8 18	63 70 38
Southport	41 15 8 18	73 84 38
Nelson	41 17 4 20	73 85 38
Rotherham	41 14 9 18	55 77 37
Rochdale	40 13 10 17	78 85 36
Accrington	41 13 7 21	64 78 33
Darlington	42 13 7 22	64 88 33
Barrow	41 10 8 23	62 90 28
Hartlepool	42 10 6 25	59 112 28
Ashington	42 8 7 27	45 116 23

HANKOW RACES

CHAMPIONS WON BY TIENTSIN

THE LUCKY NUMBERS

Hankow, April 24. The following is the result of the Hankow Champions, run this afternoon:—

Tientsin (Dupree) 1
401 (K. S. Tong) 2
Prince des Bois (S. W. Pan) 3

The following were the winning numbers in the Champions Sweepstakes:—1st prize, No. 3793; 2nd prize, No. 5469; 3rd prize, No. 4856. The first prize totals \$12,000.

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

ANNUAL SPORTS FIXED FOR MAY 4

The 13th annual sports of St. Joseph's College, held under the auspices of the St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association, will be on Saturday, May 11, at Sookumpoo ground. There is a long list of events to get through, including the following for the Old Boys:—

120 yards Handicap.
100 yards Veterans' Race.
Old Boys, over 40.

Inter-Hong Team Race.

Teams of Four, 220 yards.

With regard to the last item, the following firms are joining and a few more will later:—

Hong Kong Electric, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Chartered Bank, Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Jardine, Matheson, and Asiatic Petroleum Co.

HEALING BY TOUCH

FRENCHMAN'S AMAZING CLAIMS

"MAGNETIC MAN"

M. Joanny Gaillard, known all over the world as the magnetic man, is going from France on a month's visit to the National Laboratory of Psychological Research at South Kensington. He claims to be able to mummify objects, including a pigeon or mutton-chop. He also claims to have the power to arrest noxious tissue growths in the human body by touching them with his fingers.

Gaillard has been observed by medical and other experts at Lyons for several months. The National Laboratory states that the results that are appearing from tests of Gaillard's power warrant systematic investigation. It is proposed to form a medical committee for this purpose. Gaillard has amassed a fortune by healing hundreds of patients, who are queuing at the surgery daily.

S.P.C.A.

WORK OF THE PAST YEAR REVIEWED

MUZZLING ORDER

Yesterday afternoon the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was held in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. There was a very small attendance which was presided over by Mr. D. H. Blake who, in the course of his speech, said:—

During the past year the S.P.C.A. continued their work in the same manner as heretofore.

It was thought advisable to take severe measures against certain shops and stalls where persistent cruelty to birds and beasts was discovered. Consequently during the period under review there have been a larger number of prosecutions than usual. The publicity given in the newspapers to the Police Court proceedings has undoubtedly had a beneficial effect.

Muzzling of Dogs

From time to time correspondence has appeared in the newspapers referring to the legislation and regulations enforced with regard to the muzzling and shooting of dogs and correspondents have enquired why the S.P.C.A. have not taken active steps in the matter. I would refer to my speech at the last annual meeting in which I stated that the Committee had been granted an interview with the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Captain Superintendent of Police and the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon and thoroughly discussed the question both of the muzzling and the destruction of dogs. The present drastic regulations are regarded by the Authorities as essential for the purpose of combating the dread disease of rabies. The more the general public assist by complying with the law the sooner the regulations can be modified.

At the same time, however, the Committee will always be ready to take up cases in which dogs have been shot in circumstances which are manifestly unreasonable.

Pollock Cup

The Boy Scouts competed for the Pollock Cup which was presented last year. Several well thought out essays were submitted to the judges and the award was made in favour of D. Hunt, 5th Troop.

Girl Guides

The Girl Guides also competed for the Cup presented by the Society, but the subject chosen was misunderstood by the competitors with the result that the essays, although showing signs of hard work, were not of the high standard that the Society had hoped for. The cup was awarded

to the essay written by Phyllis Anderson, of the 2nd Kowloon Co.

Finance

The Society went through an anxious period with regard to finance. Unfortunately, the date for the drive for subscriptions was not well chosen and, in addition to this, owing to a series of misunderstandings some subscription cards were not distributed or collected as promptly as could have been desired. In consequence there was a considerable falling off in the subscriptions and the Committee was faced with a shortage of funds. Our Patron, His Excellency the Governor, very kindly recommended the Society as the recipient of the proceeds of a benefit performance given by the Harmston Circus. The Society received \$868 from this source and we wish to express sincere thanks to Mr. Harmston for his generosity.

The Committee organised a highly successful fancy dress dinner dance at the Peninsula Hotel.

Thanks

The Society desire to express their thanks to the Jockey Club for their donation of \$1,000 and express the hope that it will be renewed, and to Mr. M. J. Patell for kindly having again given \$300.

New President

Mr. W. B. Finnigan was appointed president for the ensuing year. Mr. J. Buchanan was appointed Hon. Secretary, and the same committee as last year was also appointed.

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May	Sunrise.	Sunset.
1	5.51	6.50
2	5.51	6.51
3	5.50	6.51
4	5.49	6.51
5	5.49	6.52
6	5.48	6.52
7	5.48	6.53
8	5.47	6.53
9	5.47	6.53
10	5.46	6.54
11	5.46	6.54
12	5.45	6.55
13	5.45	6.55
14	5.44	6.55
15	5.43	6.56
16	5.43	6.56
17	5.42	6.56
18	5.42	6.57
19	5.42	6.57
20	5.41	6.58
21	5.41	6.59
22	5.41	6.59
23	5.40	7.00
24	5.40	7.00
25	5.40	7.01
26	5.40	7.01
27	5.40	7.02
28	5.39	7.02
29	5.39	7.02
30	5.39	7.03
31	5.39	7.03

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Departure of Major-General Wardrop



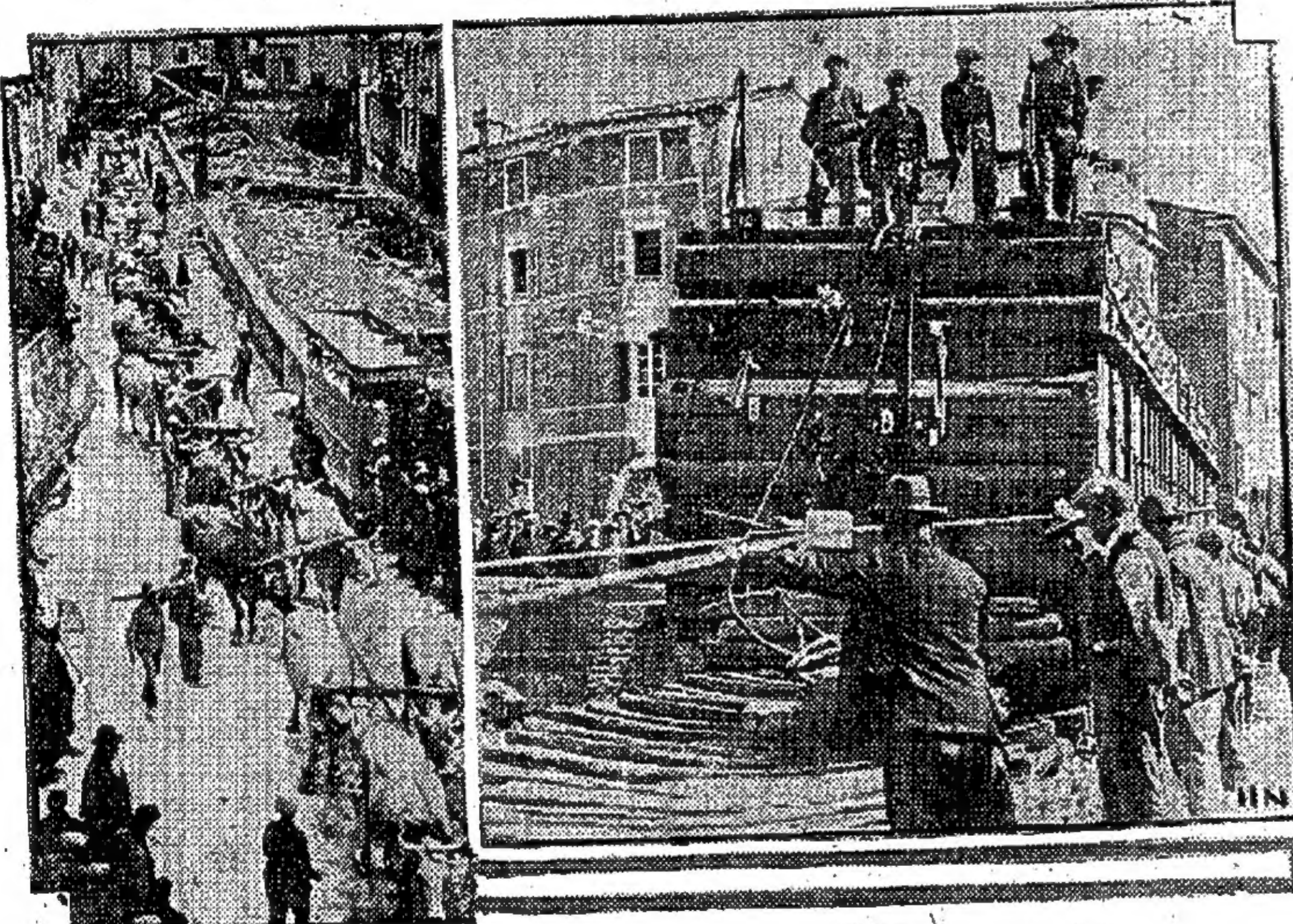
Maj. Gen. A. E. Wardrop, C.B., C.M., General Officer Commanding the North China Command, has left Hong Kong for England, as the North China Command has now ceased to exist. The pictures show: (top left) the guard of honour awaiting the arrival of Maj. Gen. Wardrop; (top right) Maj. Gen. Wardrop conversing with Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., Com. L. of Hon.; (lower left) Maj. Gen. Wardrop talking with officer just before going on board the motor-boat which took him to the s.s. "Naldera"; (lower right) Maj. Gen. Wardrop inspecting the guard of honour from the Russian Detachment, accompanied by Brigadier O. C. Borret, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., and Col. H. B. H. Oppen-Palmer, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commandant, Shanghai Volunteer Corps.—Lai Chong.)

"Agin the Government"



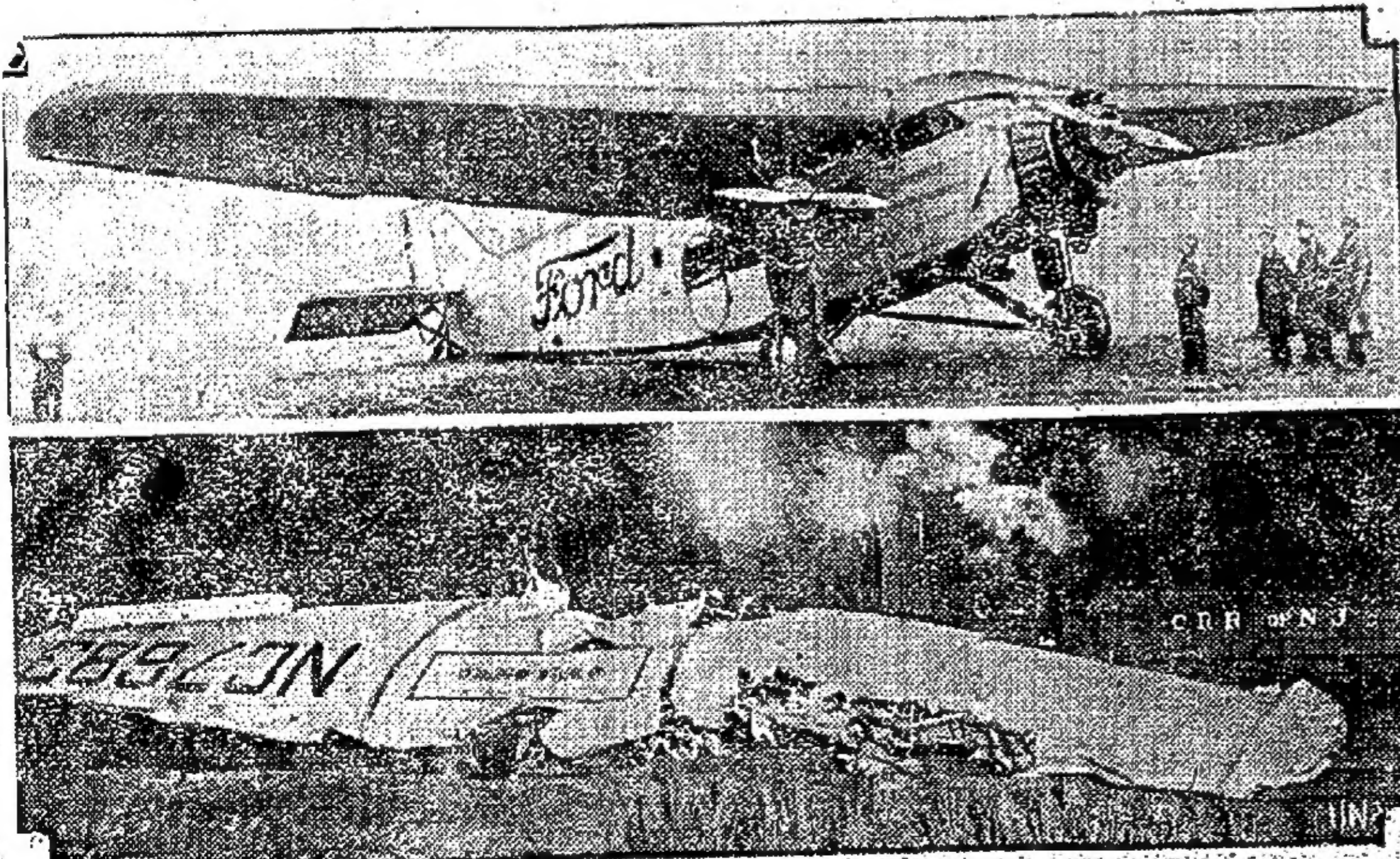
Following closely on the resignation of Mrs. Charles H. Sabu, Mrs. George Orvis of Manchester, Vermont, has deserted the Republican National Committee. According to observers, the reasons for their acts are identical, namely, lack of sympathy with the Administration's Prohibition attitude.

Five Years' Unceasing Labour



After five years of intensive labour by a small army of workmen, the great monolith, weighing 400 tons, has been taken from the quarry at Carrara, Italy, and is on the road to Rome where it will be worked into a memorial to Premier Mussolini. The great block of marble is shown at the right, created in itself a tremendous undertaking, sliding along the road on skids and rollers while at the left are some of the forty teams of oxen being used to drag the huge stone. Exceptional engineering problem of such a task is cut by the marble in this huge size but in the transhipment by boat to Rome after the tedious road trip.

Toll of 13 Lives



With motors of his huge plane faltering shortly after taking off from Newark, N. J., airport with a full load of sightseers, Pilot Lou Foebe, who escaped death, fought valiantly to hold his giant Ford plane in the air. Thirteen persons were killed when the plane crashed into the iron frame of a freight car about a mile from the landing field where thousands of horrified Sunday visitors stood powerless to avert the tragedy. The top shows the type of plane which carried the victims to their death and below are the crumpled wings of the death plane.

Dr. Fearn Entertains Friends



"At the Royal Hotel's Italian Restaurant, Shanghai, Dr. Anne Walter Fearn entertained some of her many friends at a 'Ravioli-Spaghetti' party—a most enjoyable time being had by all.—(C. H. Wong Studio.)"

Fails Near Goal



Less than 200 miles from his goal in an attempted dawn to dusk flight from Panama to Brownsville, Texas, Captain Eaker brought his plane safely to Tampico, making the second failure in his try to make the long flight against time.

Rising to Fame?



San McCorkle, young district attorney of the 77th Judicial District of Texas, has been recommended for place on Mr. Hoover's proposed Prohibition Commission. McCorkle is noted as a vigorous enforcer of Volstead Act.

Joins Hoover Staff



Representative Walter H. Newton of Minnesota, who has been appointed to the President's secretarial staff at the White House. Mr. Newton has served five sessions in Congress.

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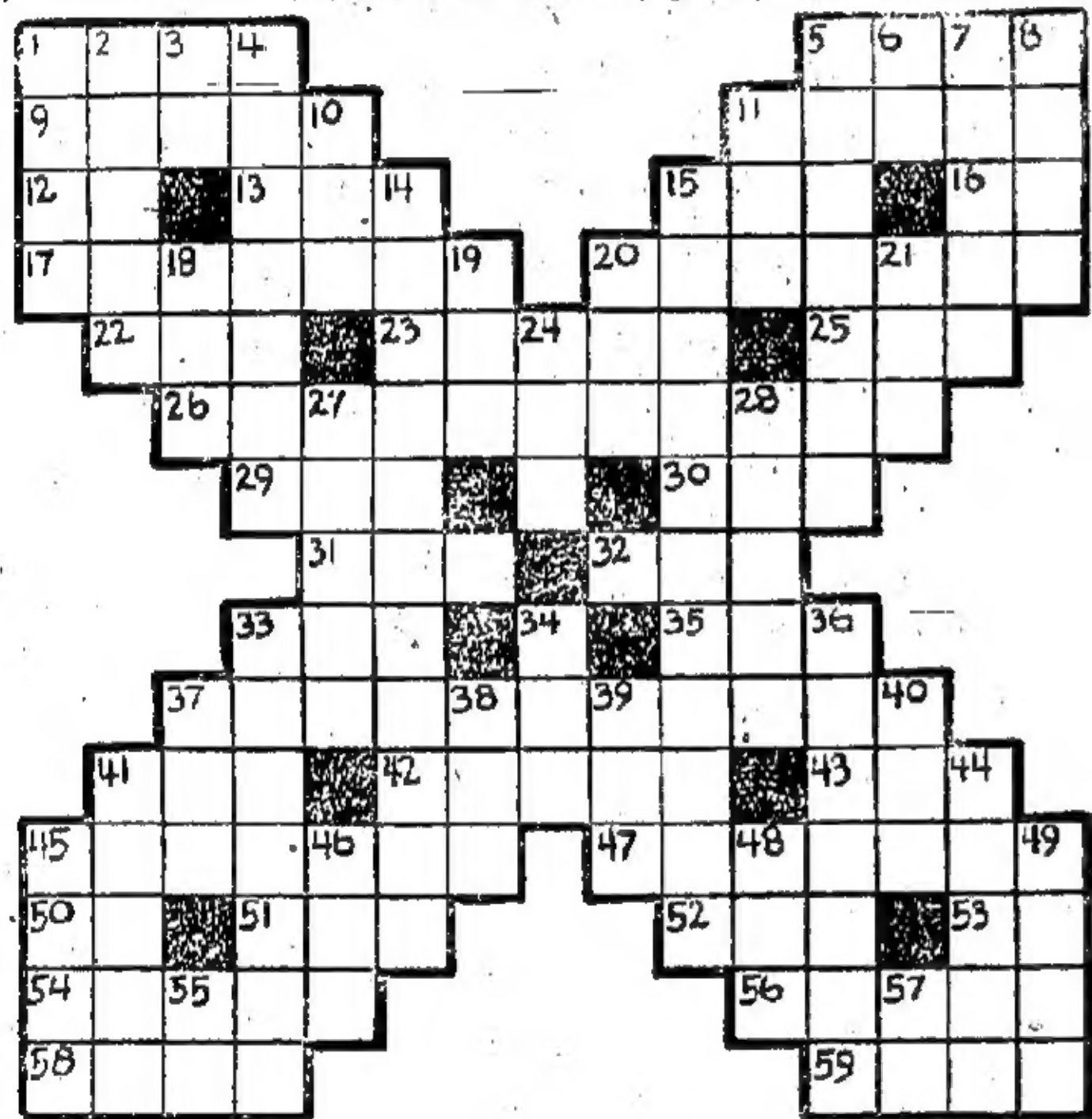
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alto.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Sour
- 5-A king of Israel
- 9-A British spy
- 11-To have
- 12-Pronoun
- 13-Skill
- 15-A label
- 16-Enfold
- 17-Pertaining to
- 20-The Prince of Darkness (Persian)
- 22-A distress signal
- 23-To let
- 26-One who believes in a millennium
- 28-A drink
- 30-Compass point (abbr.)
- 31-An interjection
- 32-Nothing
- 33-A watering place in Belgium
- 35-Is (contr.)
- 37-A great American river
- 41-An age
- 42-A severe ascetic
- 43-Unit of work

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 45-Person to whom property is transferred by a deed
- 47-An oral conference (pl.)
- 50-A metric land measure
- 51-A female sheep
- 52-Destiny
- 53-Egyptian sun-god
- 54-Castle defending entrance to Havana harbor
- 56-Commenced
- 58-Greek god of war
- 59-Part taken by an actor
- 1-A caudal appendage
- 2-Those opposed to a policy
- 3-Road (abbr.)
- 4-Parage
- 5-A city, central S. Michigan
- 6-Near
- 7-A cavalryman and lancer
- 8-Former capital of Nicaragua
- 10-Sooner than

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 11-To close out
- 14-A city of Florida
- 15-Pertaining to
- 18-Name (French)
- 19-Born
- 20-Mat's name
- 21-The human race
- 24-Conjunction
- 27-Jumps
- 28-A town, Long Island, N. Y.
- 33-Irreligious persons
- 34-Combining form
- 35-Equal
- 36-Zinc
- 37-An extinct bird of New Zealand
- 38-A suffix denoting a native
- 39-A mere taste
- 40-Anger
- 41-A mistake
- 44-Having a circular motion
- 45-A Portuguese navigator
- 46-A number
- 48-To plunder
- 49-Of sound mind
- 55-A musical note
- 57-To proceed

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



SPEED BEAUTY SERVICE

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A farewell tea party was held by the members of the Johore Volunteer Forces, Johore Bahru detachment, and the Johore Club at the Johore Rest House, on Mar. 28, in honour of the departure of H.H. the Tungku Temenggong Ahmad, D.K., P.I.S., on transfer to Muar district as State Commissioner on the retirement of the Hon. Dato Daud bin Haji Suleiman. Those present included H.H. the Tungku Mahkota of Johore, Hon. Dato Menti Bessar, Hon. Dato Ismail bin Bachok (State Secretary), Lt. Colonel the Hon. Dato Abdul Hamid, J.M.F., the Hon. Y. M. Ungku Ali (President of Religious Affairs) and the Hon. Y. M. Ungku Abdul Aziz, Officer Commanding the J.V.F.

Captain L. N. B. Bevan, R.N. (H.M.S. "Cleopatra") and Commander the Hon. J. B. Bruce, R.N. (H.M.S. "Foxglove") called officially on H.E. the Governor at Singapore, and stayed to luncheon.

RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S RADIO

BROADCAST BY
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ON 350 METRES

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from Government Broadcast Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

5.30-6.30 p.m. Programme of Chinese music.
7.48 p.m. Evening weather report.
8 p.m. Evening programme (Victor and H.M.V. Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co.).
"Coronation March" (Meyerbeer).
"Kamonnai-Ostrow" Op. 10, No. 22, Organ Solo.
Reginald Goss-Custard.
"The Merry Widow" (Lehar).
Selection.
De Groot and His Orchestra.
"Like the Big Pops Do" (Long).
"I Think of What You Used to Think of Me" Comedienne.
Gracie Fields.

"Captain Harry Morgan".
"Cargoes" (Shaw), Bass.
Baritone, Peter Dawson.
"Half-Past Nine" (Collins).
"Geranium" Comedienne.
Nellie Wallace.

"Vulcan's Song" (Gounod).
"The Armourer's Song" (De Koven), Bass, Robert Radford.
"Because" (D'Hardelot).
"Evensong" (Martin).
Organ Solo, Terence Casey.
"Le Petit Blanc" (Ibert).
"Rococo" (Palmgren).
Pianoforte Solo.
Benno Moisevitich.

"Two Guitars" (Russian Gypsy Song).
"Black Eyes".
Victor Salon Orchestra.
"Simple Confession" (Thome).
"Serenade" (Pieme).
Violoncello Solo.
Alfred Wallenstein.

"Nights of Gladness—Valse".
"Millicent—Valse Hilarious".
Rudy Selger's Shell Symphonists.
"Frankie and Johnnie".
Comedian, Frank Crumit.
"Leslie Stuart's Songs" Selection.
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"The Bat" (Johann Strauss).
Overture.
Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Twisting the Dials".
The Happiness Boys.
(Billy Jones and Ernest Hare).
"Punchinello".
"The Sands of Dee".
Baritone, Reinold Werrenrath.

"Roll Away, Clouds".
"Mammy" Bass, Paul Robeson.
"Sonata in C Minor" (Grieg, Op. 45).
Violin and Piano.
Sergei Rachmaninoff & Fritz Kreisler.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

TELEVISION PUZZLE

"The B.B.C. is waiting for Mr. Baird to notify any improvement in his television system. As soon as this is done our engineers will examine the whole apparatus once more with a view to determining its practicability for broadcast purposes. We cannot be more emphatic than this. The next move is with Mr. Baird."

This statement, made by an official of the B.B.C., constitutes a definite challenge to the Baird Television Company. If, as Captain Hutchinson, the managing director of the Baird Company, suggested in the "Morning Post," Mr. Baird has made further important strides in his apparatus, he will lose no time in approaching the B.B.C., who are only too willing to give him every possible opportunity for broadcasting.

The B.B.C. attach no serious importance to Captain Hutchinson's statements suggesting that there are facts within the knowledge of the B.B.C. and Mr. Baird, which he is under a pledge of secrecy not to reveal for the time being.

No New Claim
"There have been absolutely no developments between us since our refusal to broadcast the system in October last," said the B.B.C. official.

"The Baird Television Company has not yet intimated to the B.B.C. any claim of improvement. Let them rest assured that the moment they do so we will consider it," he added.

Will Mr. Baird take up this challenge, notify the B.B.C. of the latest improvements, and insist on an experimental test?
It must not be forgotten that there are other systems abroad which are, to say the least, as far advanced, in the opinion of experts, as Mr. Baird's. The B.B.C. are, however, unwilling to use a foreign system if there is any chance of adopting a British invention. Before they do this it is imperative that Mr. Baird should fulfil the conditions which would justify trial through a B.B.C. station.

DIRECTION BEACONS

M.M.S.A. PROPOSALS

The council of the Mercantile Marine Service Association have been approached by the Commissioners of the Irish Lights with regard to the installation of wireless direction finding beacons at certain stations on the west and south coast of Ireland, namely, Tory Island, Eagle Island, Inishtearght, Mizen Head, and Kinsale, and possibly Earagh Island (Galway Bay).

The Board of Commissioners considered the alternative proposal, but abandoned the suggestion because a beacon at Slyne Head would only give reliable bearings between 0.12 degrees and 163 degrees, and the reliable range of such a beacon is under 100 miles, consequently it would be of little use to vessels making Fastnet or Tory Island, neither would Slyne Head be of much assistance to ves-

DON'T WASTE WATER!

sels making Galway Bay, whereas one at Earagh would be of great assistance in conjunction with Inishtearght.

The matter has now received the attention of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, and the council of that body, in a letter to the Commissioners, have approved of the proposal to establish wireless direction finding beacons at Tory Island, Eagle Island, Inishtearght, Mizen Head and Kinsale, and possibly Earagh Island (Galway Bay) but do not favour a beacon being installed at Slyne Head in preference to one at Eagle Island, Inishtearght, or Earagh Island. They have requested that consideration be given to the installation of a wireless beacon on Cape Clear Island as early as time and opportunity permit.

PLAY PERFORMED BY RADIO

New York.—Television theatres throughout the world are foreseen by Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, consulting engineer to the General Electric Co., as a result of his latest invention, combining radio and television, in the presentation of a one-act play.

This chain of theatres will be without actors or stage hands, for the audiences will receive identical broadcasts of the performance from a central broadcasting station. Dr. Alexanderson demonstrated at his Schenectady laboratory the first stages of this invention. A short time ago marionette performance was combined with someone speaking in a demonstration of radio-television, but for the first time the other day a dramatic performance by living actors was shown.

Mr. Hartley Manners's one-act play "The Queen's Messenger" was chosen because only two actors were required to appear before the television camera.

The audience saw the play in another room in the same building after the performers' acting and voices had been translated into electric waves, carried by land wire to a transmitting station four miles away, and returned by broadcast to the place from whence they came.

Flickering Pictures

The pictures as seen by the audience were only three inches square. They flickered badly and did not always stay in the centre of the screen, but it was pointed out that the first films displayed equally trying mechanical defects.

Dr. Alexanderson did not deny that it will be some time before the invention will be possible as a public entertainment, but he was confident that colour television will also in future be shown.

PIANO AND WIRELESS

A very encouraging position is disclosed in the annual survey by the Federation of British Music Industries of British piano manufacture. Last year the number of pianos manufactured in Britain was the largest number recorded since 1913.

The figure for 1927 was also very satisfactory, for it too, represented the highest output of the industry since the pre-war year. This revival of British piano manufacture during the past two years, states the federation, would appear to be conclusive proof that the great popularity of gramophone and wireless music does not mean the decline of the piano. It is probable, on the contrary, that gramophone and wireless music has stimulated the public's interest in music generally, with the result of an increased interest in the piano.

RADIO IN POLITICS

ORDEAL FOR THE LISTENER-IN

"Well, what do you think of it all?"

That was the question with which Lord Rosebery prefaced his speech on a memorable occasion. It is the question which listeners-in will be asking each other, now that they have had their first taste of politics in the broadcasting programme, says a wireless writer in the London "Morning Post."

It is impossible to believe that the response will be enthusiastic. The debate on the Rates Relief Bill was, no doubt, instructive, but it was not exhilarating. Few would willingly have forgone, for its sake, the light and varied programme which usually rewards the evening leisure of the owner of a wireless set.

Rating relief is important, no doubt, but its intricacies are not exactly intended for "cottagers and spinners at the wheel, and hungry ears of little children."

Be it said at once that the speeches of Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, and Mr. Ramsay Muir were admirable examples of Parliamentary style; but delivered in long, level flow, unpunctuated by cheers or laughter—spoken, as it were, to an empty room—they were just a little tedious.

To those who knew the subject they were superfluous; to those who did not they were bewildering. They kept the listener looking at the clock to see how near the ordeal was to its end; and longing for some diversion, such as the inimitable "Mr. Potter at Southend."

The greatest precautions were taken by the B.B.C. to see that this conjunction of opposing partisanship should lead to no regrettable disorder. Each speaker was allotted a small studio to himself while actually broadcasting.

Beforehand the speakers and their secretaries were assembled in the drawing-room, in which decorous environment they were enabled (or perhaps condemned) to listen to each other. As it fell to the lot of a speaker to broadcast, he was conducted to his studio, and brought back under escort, procedure suggesting that of a prisoner being taken from the Court to the cells and back again.

Sir Kingsley Wood opened the debate with a carefully-prepared and admirably effective exposition of the merits of the Government's Bill. Nothing could have better become the Front Bench; but it was impossible to forget that the speech was twenty minutes long.

Then came Mr. Arthur Greenwood, who in measured and unimpassioned periods, showed that the Government's Bill would do more harm than good—that it was nothing but "a belated attempt of a dying Government to deal with a problem which it had shamefully neglected."

Thirdly, rose Mr. Ramsay Muir, or, rather, Mr. Muir's voice, which, in accents reminiscent of the professional chair, demonstrated the immense superiority over the Government's Bill of the Liberal scheme as set out in the Yellow Book. With the most academic restraint Mr. Muir protested that the Government's Bill was "a hurriedly concocted and ill-digested scheme, which had plunged all local authorities into bewilderment and confusion."

By this time over an hour had passed, and the "bewilderment and confusion" of the local authorities was as nothing to that into which the unhappy listener-in was plunged. A certain liveliness was imparted to the last ten minutes by Sir Kingsley Wood's debating reply; and then "silence like a poultice came to heal the blows of sound."

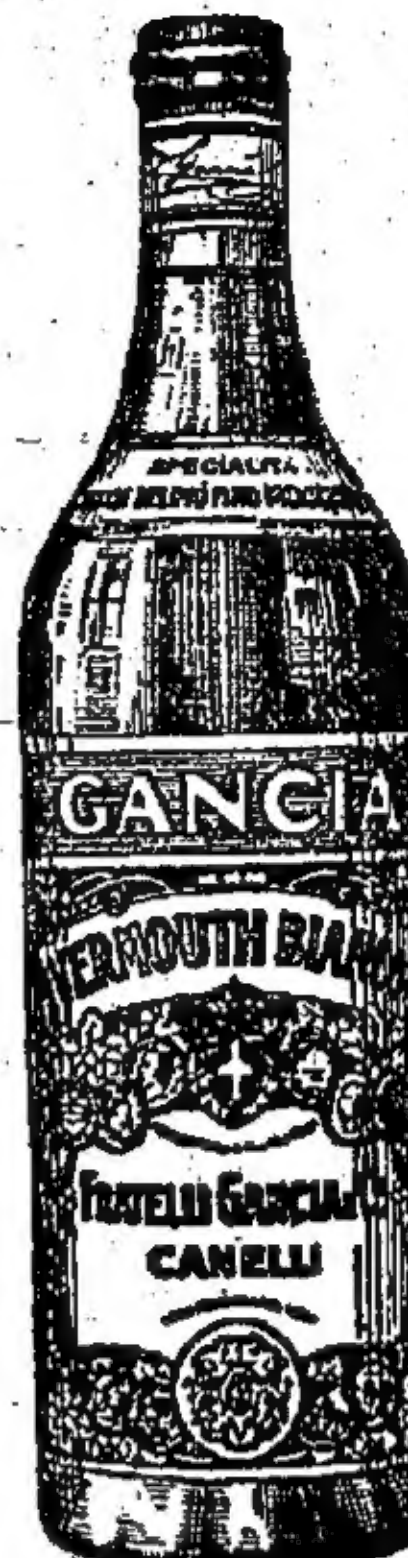
The broadcasters returned to the drawing-room and bunched up their notes; and the multitudinous audience no doubt began to wonder how often this sort of thing was to happen; and whether they ought not to ask to have their money back.

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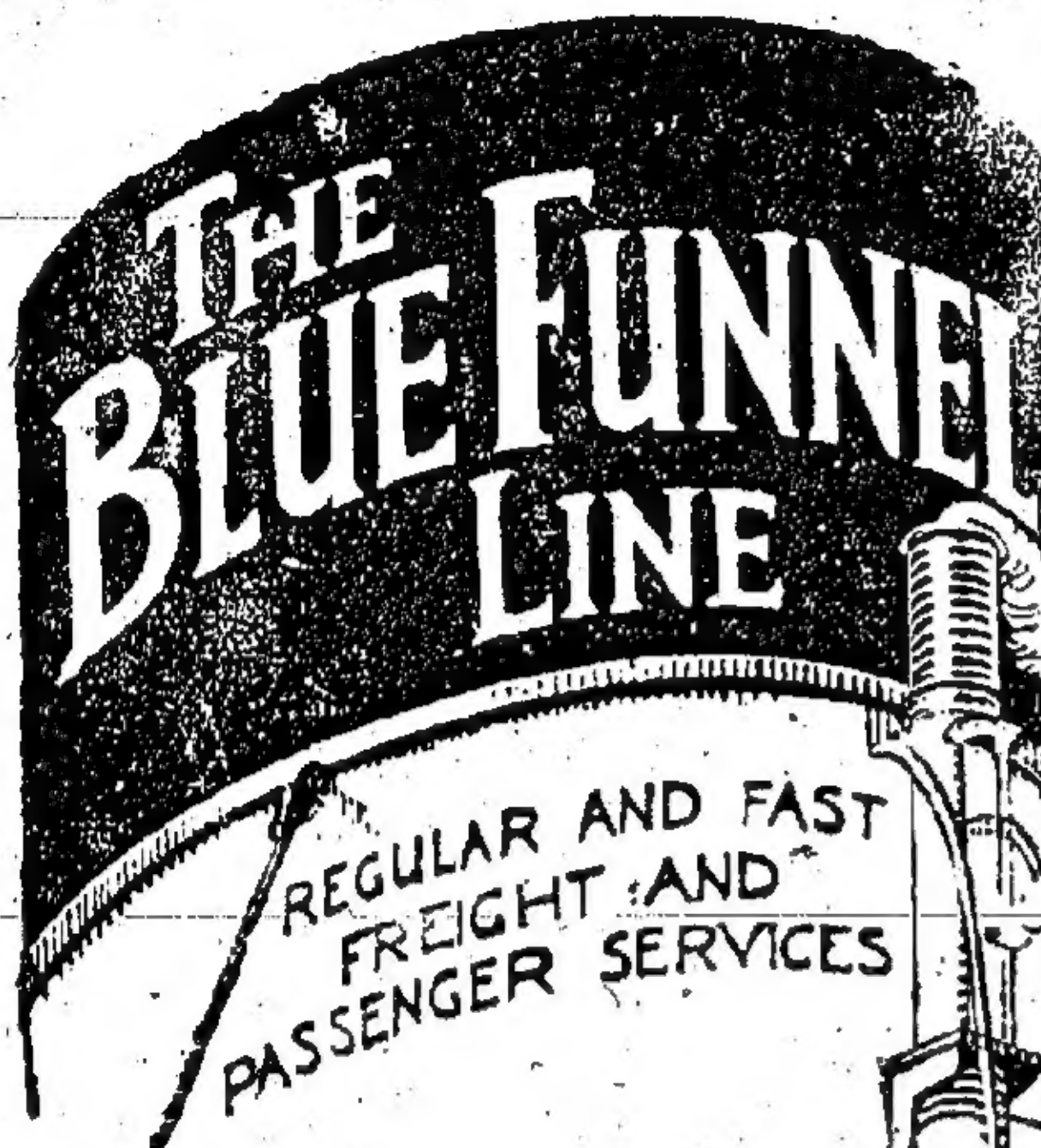
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SMALL-POX MORE SATISFACTORY REPORT FROM BOMBAY

VACCINATION SUGGESTION

Earl Winterton, Under-Secretary for India, stated in the House of Commons that the latest figures showed that small-pox had declined in Bombay since the middle of March 16 to 86 in the week ending April 9?

A circular had been issued to the shipping companies by the Port Health Department of Bombay advising the vaccination of all passengers and crews of vessels leaving Bombay, except persons recently vaccinated, and it was understood that this advice was being followed.

Indian Goods
Asked whether any action had been taken by the Government of India to implement the recommendations of the India Tariff Board to investigate and make proposals with a view to increasing the foreign market for Indian goods, Earl Winterton said the Government of India were considering the question of appointing Trade Commissioners at Alexandria, Mombasa and Durban—British Wireless Service.

CRUEL FARMER APPELLATE COURT REJECTS THE APPEAL

(FLOGGING FOR FLOGGER)

Bloemfontein, Yesterday.
The Appellate Court has rejected Nafte's appeal—Reuter.

[A telegram from Pretoria, dated April 15, stated that the acting Minister of Justice had announced that the Cabinet, after full consideration, had decided that they were unable to recommend the Governor-General to exercise mercy in the case of the white farmer, Jack Nafte, recently sentenced to ten lashes and seven years' hard labour for the manslaughter of a native employee.

The lashes would accordingly be administered.

It was on April 5 that the Bethel (Transvaal) Circuit Court passed sentence, the severity of which caused a sensation amongst farmers all over the country.

Regarding the offence for which Nafte was sentenced, it was alleged that the native was flogged severely, tied by a leg to a tree head downwards, and died from shock as a result of the injuries, which included broken ribs and breastbone.]

SIR SIDNEY BARTON

TAKING UP NEW POST NEXT MONTH

NOW IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Sir Sidney Barton arrived here this morning aboard the P. & O. s.s. "Morea". Sir Sidney, whose visit is entirely unofficial, is staying at the British Consulate, before proceeding to take up his appointment in Abyssinia on May 21—Reuter.

SCENE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

"RED FLAG" SUNG

NOISY ELDERLY MAN & YOUNG WOMAN

"DOWN WITH GOVERNMENT"

London, Yesterday.
During a dull moment, when the House of Commons were dealing with minor legislation, it was suddenly enlivened by an elderly man in the gallery shouting "Down with the Simon Commission" while he showered green leaflets to the floor of the House.

He was seized by a detective and left quietly, whereupon a woman arose and screamed "Down with the Simon Commission, down with the

SHOWERY

This morning's weather report issued by the Royal Observatory stated:

Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of Japan and relatively low over China generally.

Forecast:—South-west winds, moredew; fair to showery.

GOVERNMENT THAT STARVED THE MINERS

She tenaciously clung to the railings from which she was removed and taken out still shouting her denunciation and singing "The Red Flag."

The leaflets were signed by the "London District Committee of International Class War Prisoners Association."

Later.
The interrupters are avowed Communists. The man is a gag-maker and the woman is a clerk, aged 22.

In accordance with custom both were detained till the House rose. No charge will be preferred against them.—Reuter.

"SOUTHERN CROSS"

THE AUSTRALIAN BOARD OF ENQUIRY

THE FORCED LANDING

Canberra, Yesterday.
A Board of three members has been appointed to enquire into the forced landing of the "Southern Cross."

The Chairman is Brig-General L. C. Wilson, commanding the 11th Infantry Brigade. The Board will also enquire into the forced landing of the Kookaburra and the loss of an Air Force machine which was wrecked during the search for the "Kookaburra."

It will then submit regulations to govern future long-distance experimental flights.—Reuter.

For failing to register this year, Mr. G. T. Wright was fined \$5 at the British Consular Court in Tientsin before Mr. A. G. N. Ogden. Defendant stated that he was not aware that he had failed to register. Mr. Wright is with the Peking-Mukden Railway.

CHINESE HOSTS

ENTERTAINMENT OF THE DUKE APPRECIATED

GOVERNOR'S TRIBUTE

The following letter has been sent by His Excellency the Governor to Sir Shou-son Chow thanking him and the whole Chinese Community for their entertainment of His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester:

Government House,
Hong Kong.
April 29, 1929.

My dear Sir Shou-son,
Please accept my sincere thanks for all that you and the whole Chinese community did for the entertainment of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester. The Chinese address was very beautiful, and nothing could have been better than the arrangements made for the Chinese luncheon party at the Kam Ling Restaurant.

I know that His Royal Highness admired the address, and much enjoyed the entertainment, and I shall be glad if you will convey an expression of his appreciation and mine to all concerned.

Yours very sincerely,

(Sd.) C. CLEMENTI.

The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow,
China, Building.

KONGMOON DOINGS

STEAMERS FOR HONG HONG LEAVE EARLIER

CUSTOMS "WATCHER" CASE

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Paklai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.
All steamers for Hong Kong will leave here at about 2.30 p.m. each day (instead of the usual later hour), or so soon as the mid-day train and the passenger tow-boat from Suncheong arrive. There will be one exception, a boat (each taking turns) staying for the last train.

A commotion has been caused by developments following the arrest of a Watcher in the Chinese Maritime Customs, for alleged squeeze. He was sent to Canton to be dealt with.

A federation of the local Kuomintang, civil and military authorities and people's institutions in the Five Yaps has been formed to petition the Canton Government to take a serious view of the matter. To avoid interference by persons who pose (rightfully or wrongfully) that they are scrutineers of Customs officials searching personal effects arriving from Hong Kong, the Customs have closed the wharf gates except for a small exit. The public has become more dissatisfied. Posters have appeared in different places decrying the attitude of the Customs.

Lack of Protection

Colonel Lok has arrived with a small detachment to take over garrison duties at Kongmoon. Brigadier Heung Hon-ping, formerly Officer Commanding the area; it will be recalled, took all his troops away to Canton on the order for general mobilisation "against Nanking" and has not returned. Because of the absence of protection, the silk cocoon bazaar is closed at night, by order.

The motor-road from Paklai to Kongmoon is to be completed in three months, according to orders of the Construction Office.

The local epidemic of small-pox has subsided. Because too many lepers are abroad in towns and villages, the authorities of Sunning have ordered all lepers to be confined.

Harvest a Failure?

Unless the rains come within a fortnight, the first harvest will be a failure. In exchange for subsidiary silver coin, Canton (official) banknotes are at 5 per cent. discount and Hong Kong banknotes at 33 per cent. premium.

Chinese theatre-goers in Hong Kong will be interested to hear that the Ko Shing Lok troupe met with misfortune in Taikong village, Sunning. The match collapsed, causing serious loss to the troupe and several of the "stars" fled in panic, in their stage garb! There were no casualties.

The United States millionaire Mr. Frank Woodward, who was reported to have "kidnapped" his children Ruth and Frank from a school in Paris, left Plymouth with them in the liner "De de France" for New York.

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